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Watchful eyes — Aaron Heidiger of Highland waits for his turn with the binoculars while Lana Denep points out a distant pair of American bald eagles to her daughter Katelyn during the eagle-watching open house on the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge Feb. 8. The Deneps are also from Highland.

Greathouse resigns MESD board seat

Health forces 'Shang' from office

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

The Madison County Board did some major reshuffling Wednesday thanks to two resignations linked to the Metro-East Sanitary District. Long-time board member Dick Worthen, D-Alton, resigned to take a post with the district. Worthen, 55, was a County Board member from 1976 to 1980 and from 1982 until last Friday. Worthen's new job is as MESD's regional stormwater coordinator. County Board Chairman Rudy Papa said he received word from Madison County State's Attorney William Haine that to hold the two positions would represent a conflict. Worthen said he was not convinced that it was an actual conflict but decided to resign from the County Board to avoid potential problems. He also said his new position will take up a lot of his time. Worthen's resignation was followed by that of Walter "Shang" Greathouse, in both his position as director and board member for the MESD.

Greathouse's health was cited as a factor in the decision.

Papa said he discussed Greathouse's resignation with him last week. Papa said Greathouse, 76, of Granite City had quintuple bypass surgery on Tuesday.

"With his health the way it was going, he said he felt he should resign," Papa said.

Venice Township Supervisor Andy Economy was named to replace Greathouse on the district board. Economy said he was "looking forward" to serving on the board.

"I don't see any major changes going on," he said. "Shang did a great job all the years he was there."

The district is a governmental body based in Granite City, charged with maintaining drainage and levees in Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties. Members of the district board (See BOARD, Page 4A)

Coverdale: MidAmerica's economic impact will grow

Transportation director says airport anything but 'fleece'

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

MidAmerica Airport is gaining national attention, and that is good news for the Metro East, one area official says.

At the Granite City Rotary's monthly prayer action breakfast, sponsored by Guardian Savings Bank, Gen. Bob Coverdale, St. Clair County's director of transportation, gave area business and political leaders an update on MidAmerica's growing impact.

"We've already received our first award for the airport. It's called a Golden Fleece award," Coverdale joked, referring to an unflattering report on a recent NBC television news magazine that criticized MidAmerica as an expensive, empty white elephant.

"We've received many calls

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Gen. Bob Coverdale
St. Clair County transportation director

because of that," he said. MidAmerica is the first new airport to be built since Dulles International Airport, he said. (Recent airports built in Denver and Dallas were replacement airports.) When first built, it was considered a great white elephant isolated way out in the middle of farmlands. Coverdale used Dulles as an example of the type of criticism MidAmerica promoters understand.

"It has now become one of the major airports of our

nation," Coverdale said. "More than 11 million passengers now go through Dulles." The Federal Aviation Administration received in 1988 a congressional mandate to study joint use of Scott Air Force Base. They were able to project ahead, he said, and realized 300 million more passengers would be flying by the present day.

"In the St. Louis region, passenger growth is greater than the national average," he said. (See AIRPORT, Page 4A)

Students recognized at meeting

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Two Coolidge Middle School students are officially the pride of the city.

At Tuesday's regular meeting, the Granite City Council gave the City Pride Award to 8th-graders Tommy Tedesco and Matt Dittman for their honesty and integrity.

Mayor Ron Selph presented plaques to both boys. "Their honesty signifies a credit to them and a credit to our community," Selph said during the meeting.

Selph quoted from a letter written by Coolidge Middle School officials, and told the council the story of how the boys became so famous. During the fall student council elections, Tommy and Matt were thought to be the winners.

"That same day, they were to attend a celebration dance thrown by their peers. Tommy, however, asked to take home the voting tallies to look them over. He discovered that he

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Mayor Ron Selph

and Matt didn't win after all. Tommy immediately told his parents there had been a mistake and he wasn't the new president. That night, he and Matt congratulated the real winners. They also stayed behind to clean up after the party when most everyone else had left.

"You realize what a sacrifice that was for these young men," Selph said to the council, city officials and residents. "They had the only tallies, as I understand."

"They could have very well taken the low road and threw those tallies away and continued to bask in the glory that they deserved by the election, and nobody would have known the difference," he said.

The two have been getting national attention in recent weeks, notably being presented on KMOX-AM 1120 on "The Osgood Files" by Charles Osgood. Also, the Tonight Show starring Jay Leno has expressed an interest in having the boys on the show.

For now, though, the two are very much local heroes.

In recognition of their honesty, Selph presented Tommy and Matt the awards to the applause of all those at the council meeting.

"We need more examples of young people like you in this country," he told Tommy and Matt. All the negative news we've heard about young people lately, it's refreshing to have this one," Selph said.

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GOP backs Mitchell incorporation

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Mitchell's ability to vote on their future is a matter of democracy, Madison County Republicans say. At the GOP's monthly central committee meeting Monday, Committeeman Steve Stobbs of Godfrey and Jim Mihalich of Wood River sponsored the resolution that supports the people of Mitchell's right to vote on a referendum to incorporate their community.

MITCHELL

Last fall, the Madison County Board passed a resolution that prevented a Mitchell incorporation referendum from being put on the ballot. Thousands of Mitchell-area residents have signed petitions in support of holding a referendum.

"We felt it was wrong for the board to deprive them of their right to vote," Stobbs said Wednesday. Stobbs cited the relatively new village of Godfrey, which was incorporated in 1991. Its people were allowed to vote on whether to incorporate. The people of Mitchell should have the same right, he said.

"It was a statement of moral support," Stobbs said. The

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Signs like these are popping up more often in the Mitchell area, and now support has come from the Republican Party.

OPINION

SOUND OFF

No security
I live in Granite City, and I just read in the paper where they want us to send in our Social Security Numbers to the cash prize winners. I've also read this in the Collinsville paper and Edwardsville. We see news every day where they tell us to be careful and don't give out these Social Security Numbers. Then we see it publicly published in the papers. How crazy are these people?

Olympic ban
I am very upset with the Olympic gold medal that they took from the young man and then tested for marijuana and then gave it back to him. I have an addict and an alcoholic and all this does is send these kids a message that, "Look here, Ma, because that's what I heard." I quit watching the Olympics. I think this is awful and this is not a good role model for our children. We've got a war on drugs. They should take all of their campaign messages off because the drugs and the Olympics would have been more of a message.

Serve penance
I think the young men are probably very sorry for what they did when they broke out those windows — the two that were named in the (Granite City) paper. Therefore, I think that if they had punishments of sorts — like the boot camps that they have now where they have strict training for a while and they do community service and all — I'm sure that these young men would be repenting. I think that they should show signs of being sorry. If they do and all, I think they should be dealt with accordingly. Especially if they have no prior problems. It will mean a lot later in life, rather than be put in with a bunch of people that are not good.

Lesson learned?
In response to the kids getting suspended, I don't think they're giving enough punishment to them. I think they should have been expelled for a month to teach all of the kids a lesson that that stuff isn't going to go on.

Spilled state
I've just read an article about the Granite City wrestling team being eliminated from state on account of some prank that was done. I remember years ago that I was in high school and on account of a couple of boys doing something similar to this, but not as bad, it kept us from winning the state tournament. I hate to see this happen to these two kids. The whole team will be eliminated because of something that a couple of kids did. I would like to see what could be done about this. I know it sure hurt our team a couple of years ago. It hurt the tennis team. The whole team went to state and, because of two boys, we got eliminated and taken off of the bus at the time we were going to go. If those two boys had been there, we would have won the state tournament that year.

To call the Journal "Sound Off" line, dial 277-9522 and leave your message. We won't print personal attacks or unfair criticism of individuals or businesses. Please keep your comments brief and reasonable.

Readers' poll

Do you think that corporal punishment should be reintroduced into Illinois' public schools? Why? Use the space below for your answer. Please include your hometown and the school district in which you pay taxes.

COMMENTS:

Name: _____

Send to: Readers' Poll
Suburban Journals
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Belleville, Ill. 62220

CLARIFICATION

Regarding the Voice Box that appeared in the Feb. 5 edition, the Press-Record/Journal did not mean to imply people should re-enter burning houses, as was suggested by the question. If one's house is burning and all loved ones are safe, fire department officials do not recommend re-entering the house for any reason. The Press-Record/Journal regrets any confusion.

VOICE BOX

What is your favorite sport of the Winter Olympics?



"Figure skating, because I like watching their performances. They are very beautiful."
Julie Fernandez, 38
Belleville
Customer service representative



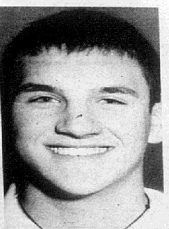
"Figure skating, because it's nice to watch and the skaters seem very carefree and graceful even though they are working very hard."
Lolita Stephens, 18
Chicago
Student



"Hockey, because there are a lot of NHL players on several of the teams. It makes it the most exciting sport of the Olympics."
Gene Reinhardt, 60
Granite City
Assistant plant manager at Air Products



"Figure skating, because it is fascinating watching the skaters perform their routines."
Erna Tribout, 70
Swansea
Retired



"The luge because it is thrilling to watch them speeding down the hill through tunnels on ice."
Matt Owca, 18
Granite City
Student



LETTERS

Baggers needed

TO THE EDITOR:
Besides clean-up workers, Operation Bag-It needs adult leaders to supervise younger workers and manage the distribution and staging locations. To be successful again this year, we need everyone, and would like to involve all St. Clair County citizens, agencies, companies and organizations. I am asking your support of this very worthwhile environmental clean-up effort.

Let's all do our part to pitch in, get involved and have fun during this important environmental clean-up effort to keep roadways beautiful and free of trash. I look forward to working with you and if I can be of further assistance, please call me at 233-2015.

LOUIS TIEMANN
Operation Bag-It

Keep guns

TO THE EDITOR:
According to Josh Sugarman of the Violence Policy Center, thousands of people including teachers and 500 law enforcement agencies nationwide are involved in a conspiracy. A conspiracy of 14 words that are being spread to children all across the United States:

"If you see a gun, STOP! Don't touch. Leave the area. Tell an adult." This is the Eddie Eagle Safety Program. You are probably wondering why Josh and the VPC are against giving youngsters an effective education in firearms safety. The answer is simple. Josh wants your gun. To quote Josh, "The most effective approach to protecting children from firearms is to remove guns from the home." That is the VPC's simple-minded logic.

Josh's simple-minded logic flies in the face of decreasing firearms accidents despite rises in the private possession of firearms and fails other tests as well. Firearms are used in self-defense about 2 million times a year including adults protecting their family. The facts do not sway Josh and the FOC. The facts are what Josh fears.

In the past decade the Eddie Eagle program has reached more than 10 million youngsters in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico. No other agency, educational organization of media group has done as much to promote firearms safety. Please support firearms safety, not gun confiscation.

GARY LARSON
Decatur

Bad apples

TO THE EDITOR:

In regards to the front page article in the Feb. 1 issue of the Press-Record/Journal, "Suspected in Super Bowl Window Bashing," what possible good does linking some suspected vandals to our wrestling team do for anyone? Since this article was printed I have had five phone calls asking if my son was involved. I am sure the parents of other wrestlers who are good students and citizens have been forced to answer similar questions.

The article stated that there were four starters (involved). This is not true. In fact many wrestlers have had varsity matches. Steven Peach, Dennis Davis, Danny Robertson and Josh Wright to name a few, and none of these boys were involved in this incident.

I was told that the names of all wrestlers couldn't be released because of their age. Is there a reason we can't name the varsity wrestlers that were not involved? I believe we owe these kids an apology and should recognize them for their hard work and keeping their noses clean.

They are: 103 lbs., Richie Carney; 112 lbs., Chad Wilson; 119 lbs., Ben Lofink; 130 lbs., John Kelly; 135 lbs., Matt Werner; 140 lbs., Ryan Worthen;

145 lbs., Brooks Narvaez; 152 lbs., Jonas Janek; 160 lbs., Matt LeVart; 171 lbs., George Kirgan; 189 lbs., Kevin Venne; 215 lbs., Justin York; and 275 lbs., Craig Moosiegan.

The Granite City wrestling coaching staff is the best in the area and possibly the best in the state. Head coach Mike Garland has been recognized as Illinois Coach of the Year by his peers. Not one member of the coaching staff condones (or) dismisses the actions of the wrestlers involved.

They will all be punished in accordance with the school's sports code of conduct and will miss a prescribed number of events.

I don't agree with the policy of giving kids who get in trouble more free time, by taking away extra-curricular activities. This simply makes no sense!

Wouldn't having kids do some kind of school or community service be more appropriate?

In short, The Granite City wrestling program, from the kids club to high school, is an outstanding and respectable program. I wouldn't count the wrestling Warriors out just yet!

ALLEN KIRGAN
Granite City

Let us know what's on your mind

What issues do you feel strongly about? Let us hear about them. The Press-Record/Journal welcomes letters to the editor, guest columns and "Sound Off!" comments.

To help ensure that letters are published, follow these guidelines:
• Keep letters short.
• Use a typewriter or word processor if at all possible.

• All letters must be signed.
• Include your phone number so that we can verify authenticity.

Also, we are looking for community leaders, students, business people, teachers, lawyers and homemakers to provide more reader input into the paper through a periodic guest column.

Send letters and columns to Granite City Press-Record/Journal, 1815 Del-

mar, Granite City, IL 62040. You may fax them to 876-6240, drop them by the front office or e-mail westnews@primar.net.

Or, if you don't have time to put pen to paper, call the "Sound Off!" line at 277-9522 and leave your message. We won't print personal attacks or unfair criticism of individuals or businesses. Please keep your comments brief.

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•Airport

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More than 27 million passengers come through Lambert-St. Louis International Airport yearly.

"We think it's a good idea they expand Lambert... from a regional standpoint. From an aviation standpoint of providing a really good aviation capability, it's a good idea."

"Our airport costs about \$210 million," he said. "To expand Lambert to bring in one runway and some other things is \$2.5 billion."

"We had to only move about 38 families. Lambert's going to have to move about 2,000 families and churches and schools and businesses. And that's expensive."

"So when they talk about the taxpayers dollars for our airport, (broadcast) journalists don't understand the business," he said.

MidAmerica's presence is spreading and creating excitement. People from such places as Springfield, Carbondale and Mount Vernon are eager for the airport to open, he said.

"We can't wait for your airport to open, because it's going to be so convenient for us to come down to MidAmerica Airport and fly out of it. And they're a hundred miles away," Coverdale said.

With Scott AFB, MidAmerica has formed a good partnership. Criticism that the airport came about to keep Scott AFB from closing are wrong, because, Coverdale said, when MidAmerica was dreamed up in the mid-1980s, there was no base closing commission.

The FAA, he said, liked joint-use because it predicted 10 years ago the need for more facilities.

"Ten years ago, the FAA predicted serious congestion at Lambert Airport. That's happened. Alternate use of MidAmerica during bad weather is but one benefit, he said. The first big benefit for the area is in the form of the 126th National Air Guard unit, which is transferring down from O'Hare airport at Chicago to Scott AFB.

The economic benefits include 300 permanent guards, 700 that will be trained that are not trained there now, plus \$60 million in new construction.

The economic impact of adding that unit at Scott AFB is \$70 million a year," Coverdale said. MidAmerica will have to attract existing airlines or a brand new one, but officials do not expect any of Lambert's airlines to jump on board.

"We think (the airport) is going to work," Coverdale said.



Youth minister D.B. Cummings gets ready to seat guests at the youth event.



Host dinner — The junior and senior high youth of Nameoki United Methodist Church — served a five-course dinner to church elders on Feb. 7. Candlelight and big-band music were featured during the evening. Valentine Cupids and red-and-white tables decorated the church fellowship hall. Sue Watkins was the evening's inspirational speaker. Above, from left, Willis and Eva Sheppard, Don Dillard and Pat and Bob Dippel enjoy browsing the appetizers.



Becky Geeling gives Melissa Magill service with a smile.



Doug Pritchett and Ryan Davis help prepare beverages.

Sorority meets twice in January

The Illinois Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority held its first meeting of the new year in the home of President Evelyn Tolliver on Wednesday, Jan. 7.

Seven members were present: Joyce Alexander, Beatrice Brackett, Imogene Forrest, Arlene Haldman, Alice Konecny, Pat Tsigoloff and the hostess. Following the business meeting Beatrice Brackett shared a video depicting the building of the Panama Canal.

The video was acquired on her recent trip through the

canal aboard the cruise liner Maaslam of the Holland American Line. She also shared brochures of other points of interest along her trip through parts of South America.

The Jan. 21 meeting was held in the home of Imogene Forrest. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Evelyn Tolliver. An all-chapter birthday celebration was then enjoyed with cake, ice cream, favors and a gift exchange. The gathering was attended by Alice Konecny and Joyce Alexander as well as those already mentioned.

Auxiliary receives letter from flood victims

The Jan. 27 meeting of the Eagles Auxiliary 1126 was opened by President Mildred Boyd with all officers present.

The re-enrollment from Berwyn 2125 to their officers' weekend Feb. 11 and 12 was read. Also, Mr. Wahls, Grand secretary approved the change to our by-laws.

Also read was a letter from the Fargo, S.D. auxiliary thanking us for our donation to their flood victims. Secretary also read thank you card from President Mildred Boyd for her birthday party and gifts. Thank you cards were also

read from state officers and chairmen for our state officers' weekend.

Amelia Weatherford gave an up to date report on the condition of Vera Johnson who suffered a stroke and Vice President Nina Jackson gave a report on Carol Miller who is suffering from terminal cancer.

The charter was draped in memory of Marian "Kassie" Hagnauer who passed away Jan. 19.

Joanna Spencer thanked all the ladies who worked and supported the State Officers

weekend. She also reported on the institution of the new Auxiliary in Shelbyville. 110 members were initiated by the Granite City Ritual team.

Bingo Chairman Evalene Ederle asked that we again support and sponsor the Quad City Soccer Association. Motion passed.

There was no jackpot winner as Vicki Walker was not present. Good of the Auxiliary was held and refreshments were served by Helen Minu and her committee.

County hospice looking for volunteer care givers

Hospice of Madison County, a division of St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Home Care Services, is recruiting professional and lay volunteers.

Compassionate and caring people are needed to work with terminally ill patients and their families from throughout the Madison County area. Volunteers are needed for such jobs as companionship, caregiver respite and bereavement support.

Twenty-one hours of orientation and training are needed before volunteers are assigned to patient care. The next volunteer training course will be offered to interested individuals from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in three Saturday sessions, March 7, 14 and 21, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Call Nancy Kaprelian at the Hospice at 798-3399 between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays by Feb. 25 to arrange for an interview.

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Corps to remove radioactive dust

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is making plans to remove low-level radioactive dust from Spectralite Consortium Inc.

The dust is left over from uranium processing in one of the site's buildings almost 30 years ago.

The removal is part of the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program, and is one of five such sites in the area.

The Corps will give a brief presentation at the Feb. 24 Madison City Council meeting. The presentation will be at 6 p.m.

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Lou DellOrcio, deputy project manager for FUSRAP, said the dust is not a health concern.

"It's dust that is all above ground in one of the buildings," he said.

DellOrcio said the building was used for uranium extraction and reactor rod straightening by the Dow Metal Products in the late 1950s and early 1960s. The work was done for the Mallinckrodt Inc. He said an initial study showed about 10 cubic yards of dust that must be removed.

"It's just something that needs to be cleaned up," he said.

He said the dust will be vacuumed up during a two-week period; and the project could be completed by the year 2000.

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are appointed by the County Board chairmen.

The district encompasses all of Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties.

During Wednesday's meeting, former Alton Mayor Ed Voumard Jr. was sworn in to replace Worthen. Voumard is personnel director for the city of Alton. He was an Alton alderman between 1979 and 1981 and city clerk for eight years after that, until becoming mayor in 1989. He served one term.

"Dick Worthen certainly proved himself on this board," Papa said.

Papa said Worthen's resignation was accepted with "a deep heart." Worthen's departure left vacancies on three board committees, including the chairman's seat for Environmental Control. That spot was given to Mike Fruth, DeEdwardsville.

Worthen received applause and a standing ovation when presented with a plaque for his environmental efforts in the county, which included work on a solid waste plan, residential recycling and landfill inspection program.

Voumard will serve on that committee, as well as the Right of Way and Tax Cycle committees.

(Some information was provided by staff writer Scott Cousins and The Telegraph.)

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NEWS

Boy Scouts rely on partners, leaders

The Cahokia Mounds District has as its cornerstone the Partner Institutions using the program of the Boy Scouts of America for the youth of their institutions and neighborhood. The chartered partners, and their leaders, include:

Pack 1 — New Salem Baptist Church, Venice; David Kruck.

Pack 3 — Prather School/C.M. Police Support Center, Granite City; Steven Miller.

Pack 13 — St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, Holy Name Society, Granite City; Mark Ryan.

Pack 14 — Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Granite City; Keith Hoedebeck.

Pack 15 — Eagles Aerie 1126, Granite City; Rich Waeltermann.

Pack 28 — State Farm Insurance, Granite City; Gary Greeding.

Pack 30 — St. Johns United Methodist Church, Edwardsville; John Schmitt.

Pack 31 — LeClair School, Edwardsville; Errick Cameron.

Pack 34 — Glen Carbon Kiwanis, Glen Carbon; Katherine Turner.

Pack 35 — St. Paul Lutheran Church, Troy; James Alexander.

Pack 36 — Church of Latter Day Saints of Fairview Heights, Edwardsville; Dan Forward.

Pack 38 — Troy Lions Club, Troy; David Whittington.

Pack 39 — Good Shepherd Lutheran Parent/Teacher League, Collinsville; Craig West.

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In 1997 there were four new Cub Scout Packs added, 35, 61, 98 and 99; and two new troops, 31 and 226. In the Cahokia Mounds District there are 34 packs, 28 troops, 857 leaders and 2269 members.

IT HAPPENED THIS WEEK

This column was compiled from the files of the Press-Record.

50 YEARS AGO
A payroll check by the state revealed 75 families in Granite City Township who were on relief should be denied help. Seventy-five families out of 363 on the relief rolls in January earned enough by working in private industry to equal or exceed their budgetary requirements.

Officials would continue to check the rolls to find other "chiselers."

A group of 30 ministers and laymen met and organized a Tri-Cities chapter of the Madison County Law Enforcement league, an organization pledged to bring about the enforcement of all gambling laws.

Following a general review of gambling conditions in Madison County, several of the ministers made it clear that their crusade has no connection with Mrs. Irene Kite, Alton's hatchet woman who destroyed 17 slot machines when her husband was denied one of the devices for his place of business by the Alton syndicate.

25 YEARS AGO
An armed fighter holding three hostages at an apartment at 1603 E. 23rd St. held police

at bay for 4 1/2 hours Monday before he surrendered at 7:15 p.m.

The ordeal for the trio of hostages lasted more than eight hours. The suspect was identified as 24-year-old James Michael Williams of Ferguson, Mo., on which Granite City Police had forged warrants.

The three hostages were rescued after a nerve-jangling, cold and dangerous vigil.

10 YEARS AGO
A retiring policeman's request to live outside the city limits during the final 90 days of his 30-year career resulted in a wide-ranging discussion at the city council meeting Feb. 16. A resolution to grant the policeman's request passed 9-1, but not without reservation. One council member was concerned that Granite City was turning into a place where people work but don't live.

5 YEARS AGO
An environmental program that had saved Granite City residents thousands of dollars over the past two years was cancelled by the city council.
The city's tree leaf and grass drop-off bins were closed because the street department did not clean out the bins on a regular basis, and, more importantly, some residents ruined the program for all by discarding automobile and other types of non-yard waste in the bins.

Group displays new local facilities

By Steve Whitworth
Telegraph staff writer

Employees of IMPACT Inc. proudly showed off the facilities last week, explaining how the agency can help people with all types of disabilities.

IMPACT's assistant director, Cathy Contarino, and independent living specialist Sharon Calhoun, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin and Bond counties.

"Our organization is unique because it was founded by people with disabilities," Contarino said. "Our bylaws require that 51 percent of our board members have to be disabled."

Many of the staff members also have various disabilities, and IMPACT tries to match them with clients who have similar disabilities for peer counseling.

"We can refer the clients to other people who match with them," Wrigley said. "Our staff members can show them that you can live independently with that disability."

Most people referred to IMPACT for services are physically disabled, deaf or hearing-impaired, blind or visually impaired, and individuals with head injuries. The organization also is expanding its capabilities of serving children, people with mental illnesses and the developmentally disabled.

Services for the blind and visually impaired include teaching them how to read and write Braille. IMPACT has a Braille machine that can convert written documents, such as restaurant menus or application forms, into Braille. Services for the deaf and hearing-impaired include lessons in American Sign Language and providing interpreters for doctor's appointments.

IMPACT also has a continuing commitment to reducing barriers to disabled people through community advocacy. It works to help cities such as Alton and other governmental bodies to reduce or eliminate architectural barriers, which might be as simple as a slight lip on the bottom of a door frame or a door handle that can't be manipulated by people with certain disabilities.

"We teach them that they have rights as people with disabilities," Contarino said. "They have to become an advocate if they want change."

Its mission statement says IMPACT is committed to promoting full community participation of persons with disabilities and enhancing the prospects of people with all disabilities achieving their full potential.

BAC alum comes home to install sculpture

Sculptor and Belleville Area College alumnus Eric Lindsey recently proved that you can come home again, and you can even leave something of yourself there.

Lindsey recently was on

BAC's Belleville Campus to install a granite and galvanized steel sculpture, entitled "Studio Buoy," outside of the Garden Room. The piece was acquired through a gift to the BAC Foundation from Founda-

tion Board member Lucille Davis of Freeburg.

Following Lindsey's 1980 graduation from BAC, he went on to attend Southern Illinois University and the Kansas City Art Institute. His parents and other family members still live in Belleville, and many of them were on hand for the installation.

Lindsey lives in Chicago and has been chosen to exhibit work in the last two Pier Walk art shows on Navy Pier. The idea for "Studio Buoy" came to him after an accident about four years ago, when he envisioned a distant buoy as a goal he had to swim toward. Four years later, he regards the buoy as a boundary marker, representing the end of one thing and the beginning of another.

For more information, call the Foundation office at 1-800-BAC-5131, Ext. 215.

Vote

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Republican Party, he said, stands on the desire of self-determination.

The resolution comes in time for the March primaries, in which several board members are up for re-election.

"We tell the timing was opportune," Stobbs said.

Stobbs is a candidate in the March Republican primary for the County Board seat from District 6 in Godfrey. He is challenging the incumbent in the district, Frank Vonnahme. R-Godfrey was appointed to the seat last year to replace former board member William Aery.

"We were real pleased with

(the resolution)," said Ron Trimmer, political action director for the Mitchell Incorporation Committee.

In the upcoming primary, the Mitchell group plans to back candidates who are more fair-minded, he said. They aren't limiting themselves to the GOP, though, and are seeking bi-partisan support.

"We're backing those who think for themselves and for the betterment of the county," Trimmer said.

Stobbs is among those Mitchell is backing. Stobbs said he plans to make the issue of Mitchell's right to hold an incorporation vote part of his campaign.

Many county board members didn't have full information last fall, he said, and therefore voted against them.

Since their defeat, the Mitchell group has strengthened their organization and raised between \$30,000 to \$40,000 to support their campaign. They are gaining allies and friends over the county, he said.

As part of their campaign, the Mitchell group plans to put up more signs such as the ones that say, "Let Us Vote," in addition to back candidates. Trimmer said he knows Mitchell's impact can be felt. For example, some in Mitchell were opposed to Proposition M in the November election, which would have provided funds toward extending Metro-Link into Madison County.

Madison County voted down Prop M two to one. In Chouteau Township, where part of Mitchell is located, Prop M went down eight to one, Trimmer said.

"That shows the people of Mitchell can organize," he said.

The Mitchell incorporation group is appealing a decision by Madison County Circuit Judge Randall Bono upholding the County Board's refusal to allow the community's residents to vote on the incorporation issue. The Mitchell group also has filed a lawsuit against the Madison County Board, claiming it failed to follow its own criteria in deciding to deny the incorporation petition. (Additional information for this story was provided by The Telegraph.)

Keim visits SIUE

Educator and author Will Keim, who was selected an Outstanding Professor at Oregon State University, where he is now a campus minister, is scheduled to speak Feb. 23 at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

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Money for new officer will come to Glen Carbon

By Paul Mackie

Telegraph staff writer
Although residents won't see immediate benefits, the village will soon receive \$75,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice to hire a new police officer. Nearly \$3.3 million in grants have been awarded to 26 Illinois communities to hire 46 full-time and four part-time officers, Democratic U.S. Sens. Carol Moseley-Braun and Dick Durbin announced Thursday. While officials from the Glen Carbon Police Department haven't decided exactly how the grant will be spent, they say there is certainly a need to add to its department of 11 patrolmen, three sergeants and one chief. "I'm not sure what we'll do (with the grant)," Sgt. James Jones said. "I talked with the chief and have not received any information from him yet." But hiring another officer would cut down on a lot of overtime. The grant is three years worth of salary (for an officer). Mayor Ron Foster said the Police Commission would probably ask that the additional officer be hired sometime after May 1999. "My understanding is that we already have a grant to

hire an officer for the fiscal year starting in May of this year," the grant (announced Thursday) will be available for the fiscal year after that." The Glen Carbon Police Department hired an officer in 1995 from the grant program and might hire another in May from another grant. "We don't actually draw the money until we make a hire. We're allowed a time period to hire and begin the funding process," Foster said. The three grants were awarded to the village through the Community Oriented Policing Services Universal Hiring Program. The program, which enables communities to hire more police officers, was established by Congress in 1994. It allows communities to apply for federal grants for up to 75 percent of the total salary and benefits of each new officer. "More than 3,500 police officers have been put on the beat in Illinois under the COPS program," Moseley-Braun said. "Crime rates are dropping because these officers are making a real difference." Illinois police forces have received grants totaling more than \$215 million since the program began.

AROUND THE AREA

Here's what happened around the Metro East in the past week:

Belleville

Budget knife will slice again, officials say

Belleville officials still have to reduce the 1998-99 budget by around \$2 million, even after cuts made last week. Aldermanic Finance Committee members made \$77,021 in cuts during the first review of the budget last Monday night. The cuts affected the Fire, Parks and Health & Housing Department. During the four-hour meeting, members reduced the Fire Department budget by \$21,200. The major reduction was made when a new \$20,000 vehicle was eliminated. The Parks Department budget was reduced by \$24,775, with the major cut being a new \$19,000 vehicle. The \$2 million-plus deficit was further reduced when \$31,046 was eliminated from the Health and Housing Department. The biggest cut was \$14,385 in a line item called "other professional services." Committee members are faced with making cuts in 14 more departments in an effort to balance the budget. Even with those cuts, Mayor Mark Kern said it is highly likely that personnel cuts will be necessary.

Cahokia

District scores 2 grants

Cahokia Unit School District 187 is getting about \$980,000 in state and federal grants to improve reading scores through technology. The district has landed a \$500,000 Goals 2000 federal grant to spend on computers, software and staff training. The district has also received \$480,000 in technology grants from the Illinois State Board of Education. In the 1997-1998 school year, when the district received \$105,000 for the implementation phase of Goals 2000, 98 percent of the district's first- and second-grade students showed improvement in reading ability. This year, the program will expand to include third- through fourth-grade students at the district's seven elementary schools.

Culture expert visits

For five years, African cultural special-

ist Janice Katambwa has visited area schools and told stories with messages that apply to everyone. Katambwa, a Cahokia resident and former teacher, visited Lalumier School last Tuesday as part of Black History Month. She used costumes, props, music and percussion instruments to involve kindergarten through second-grade students and teachers in the storytelling. The stories stressed values such as working hard, following instructions and respecting all cultures.

East St. Louis

School merger protested

Students, faculty and alumni of Lincoln Senior High School packed the East St. Louis School District 189 Board of Education meeting Monday night to protest a merger with East St. Louis Senior High School. Many said the merger would cause overcrowding, enrollment decline, academic deterioration, an increase in the dropout rate and a loss of interest in school activities and athletics. Others said they didn't want to see Lincoln's tradition destroyed to save money. "Don't destroy the pride, hope and enthusiasm these students have for education and the desire they have to hold on to something they believe in," former educator James Parks told the board. "If they can build a \$220 million airport that's not serving anyone, they can serve the needs of East St. Louis children," Fennoy told the board. "Don't sell us down the river."

Fairview Heights

City moves ahead with new center

After delaying it once, the city's Finance Committee has decided to move forward with a study on a conference center. The Fairview Heights Finance Committee voted 3-1 last Wednesday to forward the study to the City Council on Tuesday. The council delayed the vote Jan. 29 after receiving a letter from O'Fallon Mayor or Gary Graham. The letter stated a major chain is planning to conduct a feasibility study in the Metro East. To fund the report, the committee wants the Treasurer's Office to adjust the budget to \$30,000 or under for Fiscal Year 1998-1999. The city's Planning Committee was

scheduled to meet with Graham Wednesday, Feb. 18, to discuss a jointly funded conference center.

Millstadt

Abductions reported

Millstadt police are warning residents of two separate incidents in which a motorist recently apparently tried to abduct a woman motorist after getting her to stop by flashing his high beams at her and then telling her something was wrong with her car. The incidents happened early on the morning of Feb. 7 — one within the Millstadt village limits and one in the county. Millstadt Police Chief Ed Wilkerson described the incident occurring in the village. He said a woman was returning home from Belleville about 2 a.m. when a car followed her to her home in the first block of Coronation Drive. The driver flashed his high beams at her and told her something was wrong with her car because something was dragging on the underside. The woman, who had driven into her garage, got out of the car, thanked him and said she would tell her father about it, Wilkerson said. The man then walked into the garage and grabbed her by the arm, the chief said. The man made a verbal comment and was pulling on her arm, he said. "Then she screamed for her father, and the man said, 'OK, I'm out of here' and took off," Wilkerson said. Wilkerson said the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department reported a similar incident happened about 15 minutes later in the county. No further details on the county incident were available at the sheriff's office at deadline Monday.

O'Fallon

Man kills wife, self

A series of domestic disputes escalated into murder and an attempted suicide early last Wednesday morning in O'Fallon. Stephen Allred, 38, fatally shot his wife before turning the gun on himself at 830 White Oak, Apt. 1, police said. Joanne Allred, 38, was pronounced dead at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday by the St. Clair County Coroner's office. Stephen Allred was pronounced dead Saturday at Saint Louis University Hospital. O'Fallon Police Lt. Jim Stover said he believes both shootings stemmed from a domestic dispute.

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Pat Heston

Lincoln makes writer's top 5 local teams

With boys basketball teams re-loading for a shot at post-season championships, it's time to pause and reflect on the best of the bunch for both players and teams in Southern Illinois as well as statewide.

The five best teams in Southern Illinois: Mount Vernon, Centralia, Edwardsville, Nashville and East St. Louis Lincoln.

With apologies to Belleville East, I'll take Bennie Lewis' boys for my No. 5 spot at this stage of the season. As to the top team, Edwardsville gets the nod of statewide pollsters, but the Tigers are realistically no match for Mount Vernon.

The Rams have fielded their finest team since the 1964 edition stunned undefeated Chicago DuSable, with Paxton Lumpkin, Shellie McMillan and "Sweet" Charlie Brown, for the state title. The South Seven Conference has proved its superiority over the Southwestern Conference again this season, and you can bet the farm that the only thing capable of stopping Mount Vernon from making a second successive visit to Peoria is a fifth game against conference foe Centralia, which is bound to occur in the sectional finals.

The five best players in Southern Illinois: Maurice Baker (Madison), Scott Gamber (Mount Vernon), Kent Williams (Mount Vernon), Jon Harris (Edwardsville) and Kevin Atcheson (Greenview).

Sorry, Bennie, but Lincoln's boys don't pass muster on this one. Terence Slater had a shot, as did several other area state stars, but these five are the cream of the Southern Illinois crop.

Baker, a McDonald's All-American nominee and a sure bet all-star among all major Illinois newspapers, is far-and-away the best player at any position south of Peoria. Nobody else is even close.

Baker, Gamber and Williams will carry enough weight to pull in all-state honors from Chicago and Champaign. Harris and Atcheson will probably come up short, but still rank among the top picks in the area.

The five best teams in the state: Chicago Young, Oak Park Forest, Peoria Manual, Galesburg and Lincoln.

Manual, the four-time defending Class AA champion, starts five guards and that lack of height will eventually cost them in their try for a fifth straight state title. Galesburg's guards are suspect, a fact which could keep the Streaks from annexing their first state championship in 85 years (1913). Lincoln, like Rockford Boylan, which just missed the top five — may lack the depth to win in Peoria. Still, the Railers have bounced Manual and the three squads are better than any others in the state, with the exception of Young and Fenwick.

Young beat Fenwick 58-55 on Saturday, but the Friars got off to an horrendous start. USA Today knew what it was doing in picking Young as the second-best team in Illinois. They may be the only team in the state capable of beating Young when the Dolphins are on their game. But rest assured that it will take a state champion to get past Young.

The five best players in the state: Question — Richardson (Chicago Young), Corey Maggette (Oak Park Fenwick), Frank Williams (Peoria Manual), Joey Range (Galesburg).

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Warriors eliminated in playoffs

After defeating MICDS, Granite falls to Kirkwood

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

All seasons must end. This one simply ended too soon for the Granite City Warriors, as Dave Yurkovich's crew was eliminated from the Mid-

MID-STATES HOCKEY

power Kirkwood.

The post-season opened on a positive note as the Warriors skated to a decisive 5-2 win over Mary Institute-Country Day School in a single-elimination game.

MICDS broke to a 1-0 lead at the 11:55 mark of period one when a Warriors' defensive breakdown resulted in an offensive breakthrough against which Granite City goalie Matt Wojciechowski could do nothing.

But, just 31 seconds later, Ty Suhre broke in alone on goal and tied the game. Granite City was penalized and the two teams were back at even

first period and the Warriors held a 7-5 edge in shots on goal.

There was no scoring in the middle period, but the 15-minute stretch did feature one of the more unusual plays in high school hockey this season.

At the 2:07 mark of the second period, an MICDS penalty put Granite City on the power play. But, before the face-off, the Rams' coach asked for the stick of one Granite City player to be measured, claiming it was illegal. The referees obliged.

Had the stick been legal, MICDS would have picked up a second penalty and would have been two men short. But the stick was ruled illegal, Granite City was penalized and the two teams were back at even

strength.

Granite City held a 6-5 shots on goal advantage in the period.

MICDS opened third period scoring with a blast past Wojciechowski at 13:27, but the Warriors roared back with four unanswered goals.

Bobby Scott scored at 11:46, off assists from Todd McQueen and Greg Pritchard, to tie the game. Then, at 5:31, Scott scored again, this time on an unassisted goal to put the Warriors in front to stay, 3-2.

Ty Suhre gave Granite City a 4-2 lead with a slap shot off feeds from Scott and Larry Brantley. And Scott picked up his third goal and fourth point, scoring an unassisted power play goal at 1:25.

"We wore them down in the third period," said Yurkovich. "They were using two lines and we were mixing in our third line pretty regularly. By the time we reached the third period, the fatigue factor was evident in Country Day."

The win sent the Warriors into battle with Kirkwood.

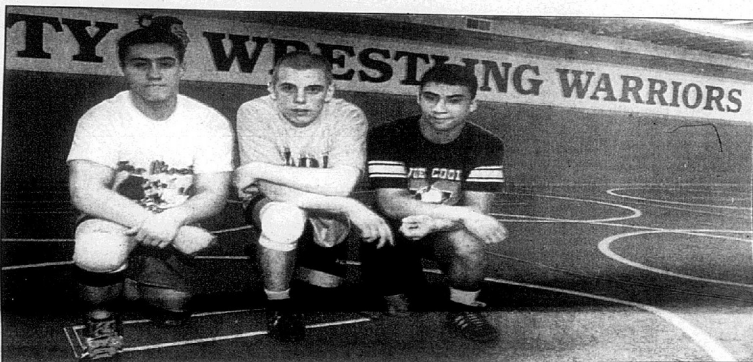
Granite City fell behind 5-0 after one period and 8-1 after two, on its way to an overwhelming 9-3 defeat. Ty Suhre picked up the Warriors' lone goal in the second period, taking a pass from Clayton Warren and beating the Kirkwood keeper at 9:59 to make it a 7-1 game.

The Warriors showed grit and plenty of heart in the third period, playing basically even with their opponent and picking up a pair of confidence-building goals.

Bobby Scott found the back of the net at 13:32 with assists going to Bob Harris and Suhre. And late in the frame, after Kirkwood had scored again, Harris and Brantley teamed to

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GCHS trio is confident about state



JOHN FRESSE/Press-Record

Granite City sectional champions (from left) George Kirgan, Kevin Venne and Brooks Narvaez are set for this weekend's state wrestling meet.

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Win or lose this weekend in Champaign, one thing is certain about the three Granite City grapplers who claimed individual sectional championships in last weekend's state

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qualifying tournament at Springfield Southeast: the trio exudes confidence.

Brooks Narvaez, George Kirgan and Kevin Venne all gained first-round byes at this weekend's Class AA state tournament by virtue of their sectional titles. The three are joined by teammates John Kelly, Matt Werner and Jonas Janek, who finished second and third at Springfield and who will wrestle in preliminary matches Friday morning at Ames.

Narvaez posted the biggest win at sectional, defeating Sam Smith of Quincy 3-1 in overtime at 3:45.

"I was pretty confident against Smith," said the Granite City junior.

"I was just a little intimidated going into the match — after all, he was an undefeated senior — but I picked up confidence quite quickly. I certainly wasn't very good on his feet. And I knew

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Granite City ousted by Edwardsville

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

It was a mixed bag for local teams in the opening round of Class AA girls basketball regionals.

A bevy of area teams prevailed, but some of them at the expense of other area squads.

Edwardsville, the third seed in the Bethalto Civic Memorial Sectional Complex, destroyed Granite City 80-25 on Tuesday night in Edwardsville.

The Lady Tigers put three players in double figures, led by Erica Werner with 24 points. Stephanie Lindley netted 17 and Jacque Woosley scored 16. Edwardsville held a 23-4 advantage from the free throw line and outscored the Lady Warriors 57-21 from the field as they romped to the 55-point win.

The Lady Tigers led 18-2 at the first stop, 33-7 at the half and 53-12 after three quarters.

Della Moore (7 points), Kara Coleman (5 points) and Kerri Lasiter (4 points) led the Lady Warriors' sputtering offense.

In a mild upset at Bethalto, 10th-seeded Collinsville stunned the sixth-seeded Civic Memorial Eagles 42-41 when Adrienne Norbury hit only her second basket of the night — a

GIRLS BASKETBALL

3-pointer from the left side at the buzzer.

The Lady Hawks dominated the game's first three quarters, forcing the speedy Eagles into a methodical, half-court game.

Turnovers — 19 on the night — CM could not get its offense cranking. But early in the fourth quarter, the Eagles made their run, catching the Lady Hawks and then moving into a late lead.

But with CM missing four of five free-throw attempts in the final 23 seconds, the door was left open for Collinsville. With all four of her teammates at the other end of the floor, Bethalto's Cristin Capps missed a pair of free throws. Collinsville grabbed the rebound, rifled a half-court pass to Kendra Parsley, who found Norbury on the far left side. Norbury, facing an incoming defender, released the game-winner as the buzzer sounded.

In other games in the Bethalto Sectional Complex, second-seeded Olney East Richland pounded Effingham 75-34, 11th-seeded Salem slammed seventh-seeded Charleston 71-41.

Highland beat Chatham Glenwood 62-51, Paris got past Mattoon 70-59, Jerseyville defeated Alton 66-57 and Tiptonville annihilated Triad 106-30.

The 27-1 Lady Tornados, ranked third in the state and 23rd in the nation, served notice that they are serious about repeating as sectional champions. Few would argue. All-American Allison Curtin, headed for the University of Illinois, scored a game-high 36 points while playing only the first and third quarters.

The winner of tonight's Collinsville-Edwardsville clash will meet the winner of the Salem-Olney game on Monday, Feb. 23, at Bethalto in the sectional semifinals. A championship game date with Taylorville awaits the winner.

Other regional finals have Highland at Taylorville, Jerseyville at Paris and Salem at Olney.

In the Centralia Sectional Complex, the East St. Louis schools split, while Cahokia fell to O'Fallon.

East St. Louis Lincoln, headed for a potential Salem Super-Sectional showdown with Taylorville, wasted Waterloo 81-29 on Tuesday behind an offensive attack that saw four players score at least a dozen points.

Rita Adams led the way with 21 points, followed by LaKeisha Cole with 15, Sharetha Eckford with 12 and Kyella Walker with 12.

The Tigertettes vaulted to a 48-15 halftime lead and used bench players most of the second half.

Cross-town rival East Side saw its season end on Monday night, losing a 39-29 decision to Waterloo.

Sharing Conrad (15 points) led the Fyerettes, who could never get their offense going. Waterloo led 26-19 after three quarters and walked to the 10-point win.

Meanwhile, 14th-seeded Cahokia was no match for third-seeded O'Fallon as the Lady Panthers crushed the Comanches 78-39.

In other Complex games, Belleville West upset Mascoutah 46-40, Centralia mauled Mount Carmel 62-34, top-seeded Mount Vernon buried Murphysboro 90-27, Carmi crushed Mari-on 69-29, Carbondale snuck past Belleville Althoff 38-35 and Belleville East humbled Herrin 57-16.

Regional Finals pit Carbondale vs. Mount Vernon, Carmi vs. Belleville East, Belleville West vs. East St. Louis Lincoln and Centralia vs. O'Fallon. All games are tonight.

Soccer discourse was a feast of helpful information

It is doubtful that Abraham Lincoln ever played soccer, but club and high school coaches on both sides of the river took Lincoln's Birthday holiday to feast on their favorite sport.

The occasion was the Granite City Elks' Soccer Discourse '98, a brain-child of legendary Granite City High School coach Gene Baker. Several months ago, Baker met with other area soccer enthusiasts — mostly coaches — to organize the soccer educational forum. He said soccer-rich St. Louis lacked such a program that brought in some of the top coaches in the sport to give their ideas as about the game.

About 100 coaches bought the idea, many taking time on their day off — President's Day — to increase their knowledge in the game. The \$50 fee was more than worth it.

Encouraged by the first-year turnout, Baker promises to make it even



Bob Emig

better next year, adding player demonstrations into the presentations. The first year was a success, not only in what the coaches gained in increased knowledge, but also because the Illinois Elks' Crippled Children benefitted from the event to a tune of \$3,000.

The discourse's lineup at the Elks Lodge in Granite City was impres-

sive. Mike Freitag, a St. Louisan and an assistant coach at nationally ranked Indiana University, led off the program by discussing "What is a top 20 recruit?"

Not surprisingly, Freitag listed academics first. He said he assesses whether a player not only can do college academic work but also that he wants to go to school.

Freitag said a top 20 recruit is also someone who is a good person. From a soccer standpoint, Freitag said it is important for a player to be "effective" on the field. "Can he get things done?" he asks.

Then he got into the qualities of an NCAA Division I soccer player, listing skill level ("command of the ball") as the top item. He also said it's important for a player to have athletic ability, a winning attitude, passion for the game, fighting power, intensity and commitment, and per-

sonality. Freitag said there are three types of players: "can't miss," "good players" and "late-bloomers." Surprisingly, the late-bloomers, who are a lot of times walk-ons, can find a spot on an Indiana roster.

"We only have 99 scholarships," Freitag said, "and very few of those are full rides, so sometimes a player has to walk on and try to make the team because we don't have any scholarship money to give them."

The other speakers dealt mainly with the technical aspects of the game. Rockhurst College coach Tony Tocco's presentation was on "System of Play." MacMurray College coach Bill Kitten talked about "The When and Where of Wall Passing," and "Goalie Defense and Restarts." St. Louis DeSmet High coach Greg Vitell

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Granite City Hall seeks members of 1959-60 team

Special to the Journal

The Granite City Sports Hall of Fame needs assistance.

The organization plans to induct the 1959-60 Granite City High School boys basketball team into its Hall of Fame, but cannot locate two members of that team.

If anyone knows how to contact team members Jim Simpson or Larry Farnham, please contact Gus Lignoul Sr. at 452-3339.

SPORTS

Granite City Park District seeks umpires

The Granite City Park District is in need of baseball and softball umpires for youth games this summer.

Those interested in being an umpire can attend a meeting 6 p.m. March 2 at the Brown Recreation Center.

Young adult girls and boys — at least 15 years old this year — are needed as well as adults. Umpires will be taught rules and mechanics.

For information, call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park Office, 877-3059.

SPORTS BRIEFS

• Boys U9, U10, U11, U13, U14, U15 and U16.
• Girls U9, U10, U11, U12, U13, U14, U15, U16, U17 and U18.

For more information, call the Metro FC office at 667-8333 or e-mail at metrofc@aol.com.

Football clinic

The Illinois High School Football Coaches Association will hold its 1998 clinic April 24 at the Chancellor Hotel in Champaign. Highlights include:

- Thirty-one high school football coaches speaking.
- Six college football coaches speaking.
- Field demonstrations by the University of Illinois football staff.
- Washington Redskins coach Norv Turner as the keynote speaker.
- A Fellowship of Christian Athletes breakfast.
- A Hall of Fame inductees banquet.

The cost is \$50 per person. For more information, call Jim Rexilius at 630-668-0648.

Jones football camp

The Robert Jones Football Camp will be June 13-17 at Blackburn College in Carlinville. The camp is for boys ages 8-18 and features instruction from Rams players and top college coaches.

Jones' camp is designed as a "skills camp" where emphasis is placed on teaching proper football skills.

Rams players scheduled to instruct at the camp include: Isaac Bruce, Mark Ryplen, Kevin Carter, Ernie Conwell, Mike Jones, Mike Grutaudaria, Derrick Harris, Ron Moore, Aaron Lang and Marcus Walker.

"We're teaching them about football, but we're also trying to tell them a little bit about life," Jones said. "What we're trying to do is not only make them better football players, but better people as well."

For more information about the Jones camp, call 1-800-555-0801. Overnight housing is available.

Boys basketball camp

A residential basketball camp for boys in grades 4-10 will be offered this summer at Illinois College in Jacksonville.

Sessions will be held June 21-25 and June 28-July 2 in Memorial Gym. Mike Worrell, head coach of the IC men's basketball team, will conduct the camp and oversee a staff that includes several area high school coaches along with a number of collegiate basketball players from the Jacksonville area.

The camp will emphasize individual skills concepts, including shooting, ball handling, passing, rebounding, free throw shooting, one-on-one defense and most play. Sessions will also be devoted to team concepts.

Campers' residence hall will provide overnight accommodations and will be staffed by an experienced dorm director, assisted by camp staff.

The \$200 camp fee for those who plan to stay on campus covers room and board. There are three options available to campers who commute to campus. The first option costs \$150 and includes lunch and dinner each day while a second option, priced at \$105, includes lunch.

This year's camps have added a third option for boys entering grades 7-8. This option, priced at \$65, will be Monday through Thursday and includes lunch.

All campers will receive a T-shirt and a camp basketball. Camp brochures are available by calling Worrell at 217-245-3058.

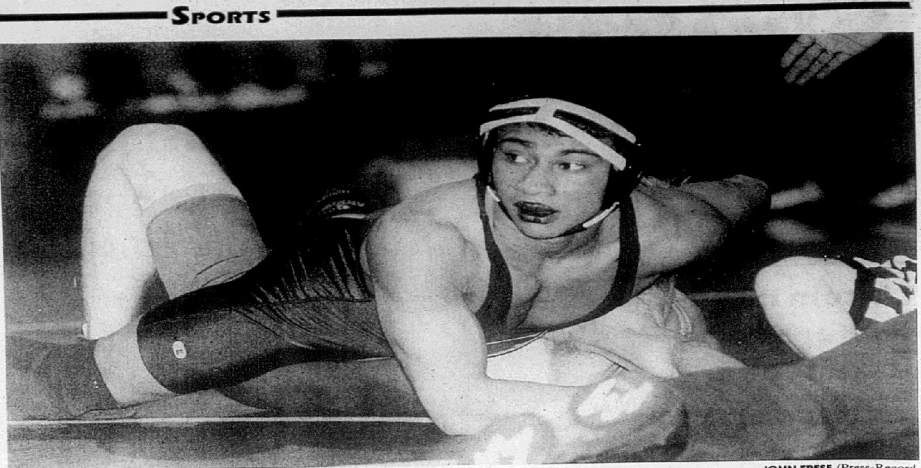
Shiloh Eagles softball

Registration for Shiloh Eagles softball leagues is taking place. The cost is \$325 for co-ed and women's teams and \$475 for men's teams. There is no restriction on bats. For more information, call 624-5412 or 277-1175.

Metro FC soccer

Metro FC, a select soccer program based in the Metro East, has openings for players not currently registered with a select team. Openings are for the following age groups:

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Granite City's Brooks Narvaez posted an impressive win against a previously undefeated wrestler to earn a sectional championship last weekend. He is one of six Warriors wrestlers in this week's state tournament.

Wrestling

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that if I could just get away from him, I would win."

The cost is \$50 per person. For more information, call Jim Rexilius at 630-668-0648.

It will be tough from the start for Narvaez, who will probably draw Elgin's Justin Becker in the first round. Becker, fifth in Class AA last season at 140 pounds, nearly surprised Glenbard North's top-rated Frank DeFilippis in the sectional finals at the Glenbrook North Sectional. But DeFilippis dominated the third period en route to a 12-6 win.

If Narvaez can get past Becker, who should beat Thornwood's Mark Aitken in the preliminaries, and make it all the way to the final match, he could meet either DeFilippis or possibly Quincy's Sam Smith.

Sophomore George Kirgan, at 171 pounds, could be in the state tournament's most difficult weight class. If Kirgan can get through the first two rounds, including a potential quarterfinal showdown with 40-2 Jason Potter of St. Charles, he would probably meet Maine West's sensational junior Bill Kopecky (46-1) in the semifinals, with any of a number of quality opponents waiting on the championship horizon.

"I should win, if I wrestle to the best of my ability," stated Kirgan matter-of-factly. "I don't see obstacles ahead of me. There are obviously a lot of tough opponents in a very tough bracket, but they're not obstacles to me. They're opponents I can beat, and should beat, playing to the best of my ability. I hope to wrestle the four best matches of my life on Friday and Saturday."

Kirgan is confident, as he was during the sectional, pointing out that despite the fine records of some of his opponents, Granite City had harder practices, contended against a stronger schedule and wrestled tougher competition, giving himself and the rest of the

"I've got a chance at state to meet a couple of guys who beat me early in the year when I wasn't wrestling very well. I lost close matches to them, matches I should have won.... I won't be satisfied with anything short of a state title."

Kevin Venne
Granite City wrestler

wrestling Warriors an advantage.

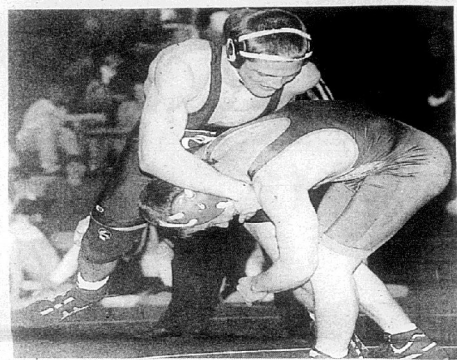
"You can't pay attention to individual records," said the GCIS sophomore, who is 42-1 on the year. "If records count for anything, you might as well not wrestle. Why not just play the state tournament on paper? So, I don't pay attention to records. I just go out and wrestle my best. Ultimately, it comes down, not to who has the better record, but to who wrestles best on the mats. My goal is to wrestle best and, in wrestling best, to win."

Kirgan also believes it helps that his record includes one loss on the season.

"I like not having the added burden of an undefeated season on my shoulders," he said.

"I could have wrestled better in the sectional, and I must wrestle better at state," said the 189-pound junior. "I started slowly at Springfield. But, when I finally got going, I just took off. I've got to be more offensive at Champaign."

Venne (38-5) will face a tough chore in a very strong weight class. Looming in the quarterfinals is Mike LeVanti, the Arlington Heights senior who stands 38-2 on the year. Moline's Matt Cordes (38-2) also shares the same bracket



JOHN FRISE / Press-Record

Granite City's Jonas Janek (top) will wrestle in the 152-pound weight class this weekend at the IHSA Class AA state wrestling tournament for individuals.

with Venne, while Chicago Collins' Al Chairs (30-1) and Woodstock senior Matt Huebner (29-0) are possible title match foes.

"I've got a chance at state to meet a couple of guys who beat me early in the year when I wasn't wrestling very well," said Venne. "I lost close matches to them, matches I should have won. I'm determined that this time around they will not win. I want both of them. I want them both bad. And I'm going to get both of them. I won't be satisfied with anything short of a state title."

The three sectional champions will wrestle in first round matches at 11:45 a.m. Friday.

A trio of other Warriors — Kelly (130), Werner (135) and Janek (152) — will wrestle in the preliminary round at 9 a.m. Friday.

Janek and Kelly face probably the stiffest challenges of the three.

Kelly (33-12) shares a bracket with Dixon's Jamie Hey

(40-1) and Joliet's Joe Herron (29-1) and would have to fight through the likes of St. Charles senior Josh Turyna (36-1) or Washington's Jordan Webster (38-4). Rockford East's Carlton Neely (27-2) and Lake Forest's Charlie Mullin (36-0) are all in the top bracket. Mullin finished third in the Class AA tournament last season. Waiting in the wings of the lower bracket are Terry Garbis (34-3) of Aurora Waubesa Valley, Thomas McCants (40-1) of Chicago Vocational and Dan Quartz (42-0) of Belleville Althoff.

But if confidence counts for anything, Granite City could move all six wrestlers through to the medal round. And a handful of state championships are well within reach.

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Hockey

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get the puck to Suhre, whose score gave Granite its third goal.

"We ended the game on a positive note," Yurkovich pointed out. "The third period convinced us that we could play with these guys."

When the same two squads met the next night, the teams battled to a 0-0 standstill after two periods.

"It was one of those games with a feel about it — you just knew that the first team to score was going to win," said Yurkovich.

Kirkwood scored first off a scramble in front of the Warriors' goal at 14:37 of the third period. Minutes later, at 11:58, goalie Matt Wojciechowski misplayed a puck away from the net and Kirkwood took advantage, finding the net for a 2-0 lead.

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to discussed "Team Discipline."

Saint Louis University coach Bob Warming entertained the audience with some interesting stories. His topic was "The Attacking Third," but he let a handout do the talking for him. He did emphasize that scoring sensations, of whom Warming has coached several, come in many different shapes, sizes and skill levels.

Wright State University coach Hilton Deyes talked about "The Striker," describing several drills to make players better scorers.

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville women's coach Brian Korbesmeyer concentrated on his specialty with his presentation on "Goalie Mechanics," which was detailed nicely. His talk drew many questions from the audience, as goal-keeping instruction is often ignored in such forums.

All in all, the attendees I talked with during and after the discourse were well pleased. They thought it was well worth the time. When the word gets out, it should get only better.

Park League

Granite City
Park District
Standings
VOLLEYBALL
(Feb. 16)

Spikers.....	29-7
Medicine Shoppe.....	24-12
IV Chance.....	21-15
Ernie & Annie's.....	15-21
Power House.....	12-24
Hometown Sports.....	8-28

Scores

IV Chance defeated Ernie & Annie's 15-6, 15-6, 15-6.

Spikers defeated Hometown Sports 15-10, 15-11, 14-16.

Medicine Shoppe defeated Power House 15-5, 15-3, 12-15.

Playoffs

Spikers defeated Ernie & Annie's,

15-7, 15-8.
IV Chance defeated Medicine Shoppe, 15-15, 15-8, 15-13.
Championship
Spikers defeated IV Chance, 13-15, 15-13, 15-9.

BASKETBALL

(Feb. 16)

Tuesday League

Kramden's.....10-0

Rookies.....7-2

Electric Mud Puppies.....5-4

Knuckleheads.....4-6

McKinley Iron.....1-8

Harvest Assembly.....0-9

Scores

Kramden's 61, Rookies 55.

Electric Mud Puppies 70, Harvest Assembly 63.

Knuckleheads 95, McKinley Iron 56.

Wednesday League

Rebels.....9-0

Jacobsmeyers.....5-2

Sports Print.....4-4

Purpleness.....1-6

Slimey Dog.....0-8

Scores

Rebels 72, Sports Print 56.

Jacobsmeyers 124, Slimey Dog 67.

Thursday League

Bindy's.....8-1

Ultimate Sports.....7-2

Bindy's.....5-2

Jacobsmeyers.....4-5

Burns-Livestock.....1-9

Pace True Value Hardware.....2-7

Heston

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and Maurice Baker (Madison).

That's not just a Metro East sportswriter talking, that's the consensus of sportswriters and editors from Chicago to Carbondale and from Champaign to Peoria. Yes, they're putting Baker in the top five.

Richardson and Maggette are 1-2 in the race for Illinois' coveted Mr. Basketball award, but Richardson should win it due to his amazing consistency. Along with Williams, Trio should be ranked 1, 1A and 1AA instead of 1-2-3. Williams, however, lacks the pizzazz and flash that normally accompany a Mr. Basketball selection. By contrast, the Manual All-American plays with an unshakable poise, a consistent consistency and always within coach Wayne McClain's very disciplined system.

Range is a step below the big three, and Baker is right there with him. The other four have a decided edge over the Madison all-star, since each plays with four quality teammates who make them just that much better on the court. Baker, by contrast, must do it all himself and has no one else who can defend defenders off the double and triple team.

The five play at a different level than other quality players in the state.

BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS

Class A Girls Pairings
Wesclin Regional
Feb. 9
Wesclin 48, Sandoval 38
Mater Dei 71, Lebanon 37
Feb. 11
Carlyle 72, Wesclin 49
Central 56, Mater Dei 43
Feb. 12
Carlyle 56, Central 43

Freeburg Regional
Feb. 9
Chester 43, Red Bud 42
Gibault 57, New Athens 11
Feb. 11
Freeburg 59, Chester 43
Sparta 60, Gibault 48
Feb. 13
Freeburg 67, Sparta 59

West Frankfort Sectional
Feb. 16
Okaville 40, Carlyle 37
West Frankfort 73, Freeburg 58
Feb. 19
Okaville vs. West Frankfort, 7:30 p.m.

Benton Super-Sectional
Feb. 23
Eldorado Sectional winner vs. West Frankfort winner, 7:30 p.m.

Dupo Regional
Feb. 9
Roxana 58, Dupo 44
Feb. 10
Wood River 69, Madison 33
Metro-East Lutheran 65, Columbia 55

Feb. 11
Marquette 39, Roxana 34
Wood River 57, Metro-East Lutheran 48
Feb. 12
Wood River 61, Marquette 60

Litchfield Sectional
Feb. 16
Greenville 60, Girard 34
Feb. 17
Carrollton 48, Wood River 46
Feb. 18
Greenville vs. Carrollton, 7:30 p.m.

Carlinville Super-Sectional
Feb. 23
Litchfield Sectional winner vs. Riverton Sectional winner, 7:30 p.m.

Class AA Girls Pairings
Centralia Sectional
Feb. 16
Game 1: Mt. Vernon 90, Murphysboro 23

Game 2: Carbondale 38, Alholfi 35
Game 3: Belleville East 57, Herrin 16

Game 4: Carmi 69, Marion 29
Game 5: Waterloo 39, East St. Louis 29

Feb. 17
Game 6: East St. Louis Lincoln 81, Waterloo 29

Game 7: Belleville West 46, Mascoutah 40
Game 8: O'Fallon 78, Cahokia 39
Game 9: Centralia 62, Mt. Carmel 34

Feb. 19
Game 10: (1) Mount Vernon vs. (9) Carbondale, 7:30 p.m.
Game 11: (4) Belleville East vs. (5) Carmi, 7:30 p.m.

Game 12: (2) East St. Louis Lincoln vs. (10) Belleville West, 7:30 p.m.
Game 13: (3) O'Fallon vs. (6) Centralia, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 23
(Games at Centralia High)
Game 14: Winner Game 10 vs. Winner Game 11, 6 p.m.

Game 15: Winner Game 12 vs. Winner Game 13, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 27
Game 16: Winner Game 14 vs. Winner Game 15, 7:30 p.m.

Civic Memorial Sectional
Feb. 16
Game 1: Taylorville 106, Triad 30
Game 2: (8) Highland 62, (9) Chatham Glenwood 51

Game 3: Paris 70, Mattoon 59
Game 4: (5) Jerseyville 66, (12) Alton 57

Feb. 17
Game 5: Olney 75, Ellingsham 34
Game 6: Salem 71, Charleston 41
Game 7: Edwardsville 80, Granite City 25

Game 8: Collinsville 42, Civic Memorial 41
Feb. 19
Game 9: (1) Taylorville vs. (8) Highland, 7:30 p.m.

Game 10: (4) Paris vs. (5) Jerseyville, 7:30 p.m.
Game 11: (2) Olney vs. (11) Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Game 12: (3) Edwardsville vs. (10) Collinsville, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 23
(At Civic Memorial High)
Game 13: Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10, 6 p.m.

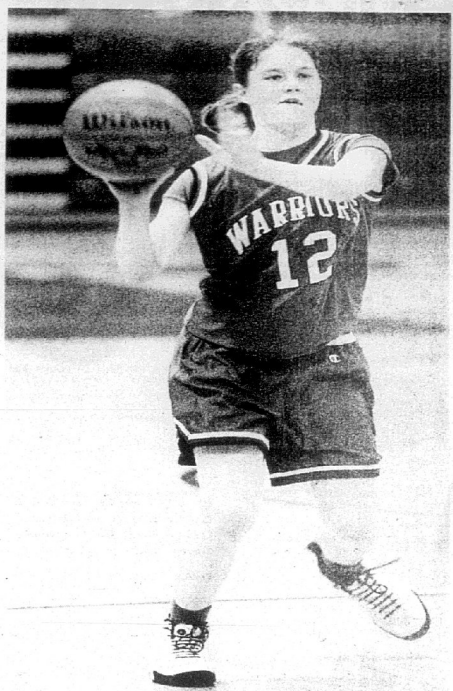
Game 14: Winner Game 11 vs. Winner Game 12, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 26
Game 15: Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14, 7:30 p.m.

Class A Boys Pairings
Mater Dei Regional
Feb. 23
Game 1: Carlyle vs. Okaville, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24
Game 2: Mater Dei vs. Odin, 6 p.m.
Game 3: Central vs. Sandoval, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 25
Game 4: Nashville vs. Winner Game 1, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 26
Game 5: Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 27
Game 6: Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5, 7:30 p.m.



JOHN FRESE / Press-Record

Granite City junior Jan Shanafelt passes to a teammate in a recent game. The Warriors lost to Edwardsville 80-25 in a Class AA playoff game Tuesday night.

Sparta Regional
Feb. 23
Game 1: Columbia vs. Marissa, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24
Game 2: Red Bud vs. Valmeyer, 6 p.m.
Game 3: Sparta vs. New Athens, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 25
Game 4: Gibault vs. Winner Game 1, 6 p.m.
Game 5: Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 27
Game 6: Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5, 7:30 p.m.

Dupo Regional
Feb. 23
Game 1: Venice vs. Madison, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24
Game 2: Lebanon vs. Lovejoy, 6 p.m.

Game 3: Wesclin vs. Freeburg, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 25
Game 4: Dupo vs. Winner Game 1, 6 p.m.

Game 5: Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 27
Game 6: Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5, 7:30 p.m.

Wood River Regional
Feb. 23
Game 1: Roxana vs. Livingston, 6 p.m.

Game 2: Staunton vs. Alton-Marquette, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24
Game 3: Greenville vs. Wood River, 6 p.m.

Game 4: Bunker Hill vs. Metro-East Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 25
Game 5: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 6:30 p.m.

Game 6: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 27
Game 7: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 7:30 p.m.

Class AA Boys Pairings
Collinsville Sectional
March 2
Preliminary round
(16) Taylorville at (17) Jerseyville, 7:30 p.m.

March 3
Game 1: Winner preliminary round at (1) Edwardsville, 7:30 p.m.

Game 2: (9) Granite City at (8) Cahokia, 7:30 p.m.

Game 3: (13) Civic Memorial at (4) Collinsville, 7:30 p.m.

Game 4: (12) Chatham Glenwood at (5) Jacksonville, 7:30 p.m.

Game 7: (14) Waterloo at (3) East St. Louis Lincoln, 7:30 p.m.

Game 8: (11) Belleville West at (6) Alton, 7:30 p.m.

March 6
Game 9: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.

Game 10: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 7:30 p.m.

Game 11: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 7:30 p.m.

Game 12: Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8, 7:30 p.m.

March 10
(Games at SIU-Edwardsville)
Game 13: Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10, 7:30 p.m.

March 11
Game 14: Winner Game 11 vs. Winner Game 12, 7:30 p.m.

March 13
Game 15: Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14, 7:30 p.m.

Salem Sectional
March 3
Game 1: (16) Herrin at (1) Mount Vernon, 7:30 p.m.

Game 2: (9) Highland at (8) Mascoutah, 7:30 p.m.

Game 3: (13) Olney at (4) Murphysboro, 7:30 p.m.

Game 4: (12) Charleston at (5) Mt. Carmel, 7:30 p.m.

March 4
Game 5: (15) Mattoon at (2) Centralia, 7:30 p.m.

Game 6: (10) Paris at (7) Marion, 7:30 p.m.

Game 7: (14) Triad at (3) Ellingsham, 7:30 p.m.

Game 8: (11) Salem at (6) Carbondale, 7:30 p.m.

March 6
Game 9: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.

Game 10: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 7:30 p.m.

Game 11: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 7:30 p.m.

Game 12: Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8, 7:30 p.m.

Game 13: Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10, 7:30 p.m.

Game 14: Winner Game 11 vs. Winner Game 12, 7:30 p.m.

Game 15: Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14, 7:30 p.m.

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Collinsville Sectional winner vs. Salem Sectional winner, 7:30 p.m.



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Showdown

Whitney Young turns back Oak Park Fenwick

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Chicago Whitney Young solidified its hold on the top spot in the Class AA boys basketball poll, nudging fourth-ranked Oak Park Fenwick 58-55 on Saturday before a sell-out crowd of 8,117 jammed into Northwestern's Welsh-Ryan Arena for the City-Suburban Showdown.

But if not for the Dolphins' 15-3 spurt to start the game, the Friars may have pulled off the upset. As it was, Fenwick fought back to lead by as many as six (51-45) midway through the fourth quarter. But Young closed strong, and three Dolphins free throws in the final 12 seconds averted the upset.

All-Americans Quentin Richardson of Young and Corey Maggette of Fenwick each scored 28 points. Richardson finished with 19 rebounds and the biggest play turned in by either may have been Richardson's block of Quentin Gilmore's 3-point attempt with three seconds left in the game and Young leading 57-55.

"They both had terrific games," New York-based scout Tom Konchalad said of Richardson and Maggette. "They're both great players. They're both top six or seven in the country. I don't know if one player emerged as the better one, but if there's a winner, it's the guy whose team won."

Young (20-1) and Fenwick (20-2) stayed first and fourth respectively in this week's poll. Second-ranked Peoria Manual (21-2) also participated in the Showdown at Evanston, surviving an off night by All-American Frank Williams to topple Winnetka New Trier 59-53.

Galesburg (22-2) was ranked third, followed by Chicago Farragut (17-4) and Chicago Farragut (17-4) and



Chicago Whitney Young's Quentin Richardson (left) and Oak Park Fenwick's Corey Maggette (right) battled last Saturday on the campus of Northwestern University. Each scored 28 points and Richardson's Dolphins posted the victory to remain No. 1.

Peoria Central (16-4), as the top 11 poll positions remained unchanged. Edwardsville (20-1) climbed one spot to 12th as previously ranked Joliet Central absorbed its third straight defeat and dropped from the top 16. Mount Vernon (19-2), Oak Lawn Richards (21-1) and Quincy (18-4) each moved up a notch while the previously unranked Zion-Benton Zee Bees (23-1) claimed the 16th spot.

Class A

Three Class A teams carry unblemished records into the regular season's final week. Spring Valley Hall (20-0),

continues to be the pick of prognosticators, while Farmington (24-0) and Ashland A.C. Central (25-0) are ranked second and fifth respectively. A.C. Central could be in trouble, however, facing a potentially stiff regional challenge from 20-4 Carrollton without the services of 6-foot-3 senior center Brian Moffitt, who is out for an indefinite period of time with mononucleosis.

Chicago Providence St. Mel (21-3) — led twin towers Linton Johnson (6-foot-8) and Irving Richardson (6-7) — lost ground to fourth-ranked Nashville (22-1), but still garnered a 15-11 record. Nashville, which won its first game since a 20-0 loss to Peoria Central two weeks ago, picked

up one first place vote.

Marengo (22-2) climbed from sixth to eighth following an 83-81 overtime loss to highly regarded Fairbury Prairie Central, enabling Chicago Leo (17-6) and Normal University (19-6) to advance one notch to sixth and seventh respectively.

Marengo (22-2) climbed from 10th to 11th on the strength of a big win over then-ninth-ranked Burlington Central (20-3), which fell to 15th.

Breese Mater Dei (20-6) was ranked 10th, followed by Quincy Notre Dame (20-4), Rock Falls (18-6), Chicago St. Francis de Sales (15-7) and Nauvoo-Colusa (22-2). Rockford Christian Life (24-1) weighed in at 20th.

THIS WEEK IN BASKETBALL

Compiled by Patrick C. Heston

Feb. 19

1986 — Brad Nienmann of Glenview Glenbard South hit his first of a boys state record 76 consecutive free throws. The streak ended on January 24, 1987.

1988 — On this night, Dennis Miller of Watseka began a week long run where he hit 10 consecutive 3-point attempts. The figure is the second-best mark in boys state history.

Feb. 20

1968 — In one of the most lopsided boys games in history, Beecher City annihilated Herrick 150-29. The 121-point margin of victory is the fourth-best mark in Illinois hoops history. Beecher City, which netted 64 field goals on the night, scored 82 points in the second half. They also placed a state record nine players in double figures. One player scored 21 points, another player scored 15, two more scored 14 each, three more scored 11 each, and one more netted 10.

1976 — Nashville committed 37 fouls in a girls game against Carlyle. The figure represents the second most fouls by one team in girls basketball history.

1978 — Sandy Martin of Lawrenceville scored 60 points in a girls game against Bridgeport Red Hill.

1982 — Wauconda's Kris Hubbard made 26 of 29 free throws in a girls game against Antioch. Both Hubbard's totals of 29 attempts and 26 free throws made are the second best in girls roundball history.

1986 — Manley and Chicago Creiger combined to score 252 points in a boys basketball game — the second most points ever scored by two teams in a boys game. Manley beat Creiger 127-125. Creiger's 125 points in a losing effort is a state record.

Feb. 21

1930 — Glen Ellyn Glenbard defeated Elmhurst York 3-2 in a boys game.

1946 — In a boys game against Dieterich in the district tournament, Strasburg's Delbert Doehring scored 72 points on 34 field goals and four free throws. The total is an individual one-game record for post-season play.

1984 — Carthage defeated Dallas City 108-103 in a boys game that took eight overtimes to decide. The eight overtimes represent the longest basketball game in Illinois history. The two teams also combined for 78 fouls — the second highest mark in boys hoops history.

Feb. 23

1988 — Rob Gulley of Rockford Christian Life set a state record for steals in one game, swiping the ball 28 times in a boys game against Beloit Open Bible.

Feb. 24

1984 — Chicago Young defeated Chicago Manley 127-61 in a boys game, combining for 188 points — the sixth-best one-game total for two teams in Illinois history.

1994 — Casey made 33 free throws against Toledo Cumberland in a girls game. Only four girls teams in history have made more free throws in one game. Casey was 33 for 42 from the line on the night.

Feb. 25

1983 — Lawrenceville razed Robinson 70-23 to win its own boys regional tournament and to claim the team's 62nd straight victory. The win pulled the Indians within two triumphs of the streak posted by the 1980-82 Quincy teams which won 64 games in succession. Lawrenceville would eventually win 68 in a row before losing the first game of the 1983-84 season.

STATE BASKETBALL POLL

Here are the top 18 teams in the state-wide Illinois high school boys basketball polls as selected by an Associated Press panel of sportswriters and broadcasters, with first-place votes in parenthesis, records through Sunday and total points (based on 16 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 16th place vote):

Class AA			
Team	Rec.	Pts.	
1. Chicago Whitney Young (20)	20-1	320	
2. Peoria Manual	21-2	278	
3. Galesburg	22-2	287	
4. Oak Park Fenwick	20-2	263	
5. Lincoln	19-22	235	
6. Rockford Boylan	22-1	205	
7. Moline	21-1	205	
8. Elgin	23-1	168	
9. Chicago King	20-4	145	
10. Chicago Farragut	17-4	133	
11. Peoria Central	16-4	91	
12. Edwardsville	20-4	84	
13. Mt. Vernon	19-2	62	
14. Oak Lawn Richards	21-1	52	
15. Quincy	18-4	21	
16. Zion-Benton	23-1	40	

Others receiving votes, in order: Joliet Central, Country Club

Hills Hillcrest, Winnetka New Trier, Des Plaines Maine West, Decatur MacArthur, Palatine Fremd, Centralia, Belleville East.

Class A

Team	Rec.	Pts.	
1. Spring Valley Hall (21)	23-0	351	
2. Farmington	24-0	311	
3. Chicago Providence St. Mel	21-3	298	
4. Nashville (1)	22-1	255	
5. Ashland A.C. Central	25-0	250	
6. Chicago Leo	19-22	203	
7. Normal University	19-6	200	
8. Kewanee	20-4	189	
9. Marengo	22-2	164	
10. Breese Mater Dei	20-6	135	
11. Quincy Notre Dame	20-4	126	
12. Rock Falls	18-6	113	
13. Chicago St. Francis de Sales	15-7	86	
14. Nauvoo-Colusa	22-2	59	
15. Burlington Central	20-3	58	
16. Rockford Christian Life	24-1	49	

Others receiving votes, in order: Fairbury Prairie Central, Rock Island Aileman, Harrisburg, Pana, Nokomis, Hillsboro, Breese Central.

PREP BASKETBALL STANDINGS

GIRLS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Edwardsville	11-1	20-5	
Belleville East	8-2	14-9	
Collinsville	8-4	14-13	
Alton	6-6	12-14	
Belleville West	6-6	11-14	
Granite City	2-10	3-20	
E. St. Louis	0-12	1-21	

Mississippi Valley			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Jerseyville	7-2	16-8	
Highland	8-1	17-10	
Civic Memorial	7-3	15-10	
Mascoutah	6-4	9-16	
Tilad	3-7	3-19	
Waterloo	0-8	1-19	

Cahokia			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Carlyle	6-2	15-8	
Freeburg	5-2	20-4	
Besse C.	5-1	14-10	
Westlin	4-4	10-15	
Red Bud	4-4	10-15	
Columbia	3-6	6-18	
Lebanon	1-9	1-17	
Dupo	1-7	3-17	
New Athens	0-12	1-21	

South Seven			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Mt. Vernon	10-2	25-1	
O'Fallon	9-2	22-8	
Carbondale	2-3	9-10	
Centralia	1-4	15-9	
Cahokia	0-7	1-16	

South Central			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Gillespie	7-1	18-4	
Roxana	5-4	12-11	
Macquett	5-5	18-7	
Wood River	5-7	15-13	

Great Overland Trails			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Lutheran S.C.	4-0	15-3	
Orchard Farm	3-1	8-8	
Metro East	3-3	16-10	
Westminster	2-2	9-7	
Slax	1-1	9-8	
Whitfield	1-2	8-10	
Hancock	0-1	8-10	
Valley Park	0-4	3-5	

Independents			
Team	Overall		
Lincoln	22-2		
Okawville	26-3		
Mater Dei	19-9		
Seartz	18-8		
Gibault	16-8		
Alhambra	16-14		
Madison	4-16		
Bunker Hill	3-17		
Valmeyer	2-10		

BOYS HOOPS STANDINGS			
Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Edwardsville	6-2	15-3	
Belleville East	4-4	10-15	
Collinsville	5-5	14-10	
Alton	2-7	11-13	
Granite City	2-7	7-16	
Belleville West	2-7	7-16	
E. St. Louis	1-8	4-15	

Mississippi Valley			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Mascoutah	6-1	13-11	
Highland	4-2	9-12	
Waterloo	3-4	14-12	
Civic Memorial	3-4	8-13	
Tilad	4-17	4-17	
Jerseyville	2-5	5-17	

Cahokia			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Gibault	6-1	13-11	
Mater Dei	4-2	9-12	
Lincoln	3-4	14-12	
Collinsville Christian	3-4	8-13	
Alhambra	4-17	4-17	
Madison	2-5	5-17	

Great Overland Trails			
Team	Conf.	Overall	
Valley Park	6-2	15-3	
Slax	3-1	8-8	
Westminster	3-3	16-10	
Hancock	2-2	9-7	
Whitfield	1-1	9-8	
IE Lutheran	1-2	8-10	
Orchard Farm	1-2	8-10	
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OBITUARY

Myrtle Shoffner
Myrtle Shoffner, 92, of Granite City, died Feb. 17, 1998, at St. Thomas Catholic Hospital.

Mrs. Shoffner was born in 1906 in St. Louis, a housewife and mother of three children: St. Thomas Catholic, Survivors include: William Shoffner, Shoffner of Chicago, Dan and John Shoffner, St. Thomas Catholic, and Springfield, Durrett of Granite City, Margaret Miky, nine grandchildren and grandnephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents Elmer (Weik) Huntz, Eugene Huntz, Services were held at Chapel in Granite City, Tom Leiber, Burial in St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery.

HONOR

The following East Lutheran Edwardsville honors during the 1997-98 school year:

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CASEYVILLE
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elle, Kathryn Schoenleber, Pat Juniors
EDWARDSVILLE
Sprangli, Lynn Weale,
GLEN CARBON
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TROY — Kell Sophomores
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er, Rachel Wren Edwardsville
James Starrett,
WORDEN — Freshmen
COLLINSVILLE
Jason Murphy,
DORSEY — J.V.
EDWARDSVILLE
Daniel Erb, Karen Redden,
MARYVILLE
Aaron Ginch, MOUNT OLYMPIA
TROY — MA
HIGGS
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EDWARDSVILLE
ten,
COLLINSVILLE
BUNKER HILL
COLLINSVILLE
Sophomores
EDWARDSVILLE
GRANITE CITY
SMITHTON
Freshmen
CASEYVILLE
COLLINSVILLE
O'Hara,
EDWARDSVILLE
Schoenleber,
Luanne Worle,
GLEN CARBON
Renae Seehausen,
GRANITE CITY
Adam Hart,
MARYVILLE
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Seniors
COLLINSVILLE
Aimee Lochner
Schaeffer,
EDWARDSVILLE
Hayes, Mel,
Schrage, Ret,
MARYVILLE
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Juniors
COLLINSVILLE
Joseph True
EDWARDSVILLE
Sara Jo Olt,
MARYVILLE
gric,
WOOD RIVER
Sophomores
BELLEVILLE

OBITUARIES

Myrtle Shoffner

MYRTLE (HUNTER) SHOFFNER, 61, of Granite City died at 2:37 p.m. Feb. 17, 1998, at Deaconess Hospital.

Mrs. Shoffner was born on Dec. 25, 1936, in St. Louis. She had been a housewife and a member of the St. Thomas Catholic Church. Survivors include her husband, William Shoffner, four sons, Tom Shoffner, of Clarksville, Tenn., Jeff Dan, and John Shoffner all of Granite City; two daughters, Susan Biggers and Springfield, Ill.; and Sally Durrett of Granite City; one sister Margaret Mink of Houston, Texas; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents Elmer and Regina (Weik) Huntz; and one brother, Eugene Huntz. Services were Feb. 20, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with Rev. Tom Lablar. Burial was at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Ethel Sorenson

ETHEL "BETTY" (ROWDEN) SORENSON, 71, of Granite City died at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, 1998, at Colonial Care Center. She was born Aug. 30, 1926 in Granite City.

Survivors include three sons, Gary "Mike," David, and Larry Sorenson all of Granite City; four daughters, Glenda Lovins, Linda Williams, and Brenda Conner all of Granite City; and Phillipa Caine of Collinsville. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence "Tuffy" Sorenson; her parents, Allen and Mary (Schmidt) Rowden; two brothers, Arnold Rowden and Ralph Rowden; two sisters, Fern Rowden and Vivian Meadows; two grandsons, Alan Elders and Stephen Williams. Services were Friday, Feb. 20, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with Rev. Steve Moutria. Burial was in Lake View Memorial Gardens.

Samuel Apponey

SAMUEL T. APPONEY, 59, of Madison died at 10:40 a.m. Jan. 16, 1998, at Charles Melvin Price Center in Granite City.

Mr. Apponey was cremated at his wishes. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Blake Bauman

BLAKE W. BAUMAN, 7½ weeks, of Granite City died at 12:06 p.m. Feb. 11, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 14, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial was at St. John's Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family.

Doris Brawley

DORIS (LENTZ) BRAWLEY, 72, of Ponton Beach died Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1998, at her residence.

Services were Monday, Feb. 16, at Lake View Funeral Home in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights with Rev. Ivan Thuringer officiating. Memorials can be made to the Cancer Society and the heart Association.

Donna Chandler

DONNA L. (LINDSAV) CHANDLER, 36, of Granite City died Feb. 10, 1998, in St. Louis.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 14, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with Rev. David Malone and Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to Katie Lynne Chandler Educational Fund, Montessori School.

Cleveland Cox

CLEVELAND D. COX, 86, of Granite City died at 4:03 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 14, at St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield with the Rev. Gary Motta officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Gardens in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to the

Alzheimer's Association. Irwin Chapel handled the arrangements.

Helen Garner

HELEN E. (BAUER) GARNER, 91, of Neoga, Ill. died at 4:29 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1998, in Neoga.

Services were Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. Carl Cullen officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to Central Christian Church.

Henrietta Graham

HENRIETTA A. (SANDERS) GRAHAM, 58, of Greenville died at 11:33 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1998, at a Utah Memorial Hospital in Greenville.

Services were Monday, Feb. 16, at Calvary Baptist Church in Granite City, with Rev. Fred Boatright and Rev. Al Stayer officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Gardens in Glen Carbon. Granite City handled the arrangements.

Wilbert Grossman

WILBERT GROSSMAN, 85, of Smithton Township died Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1998. He was born Jan. 15, 1912, in Smithton.

Private funeral services were at Vahlha Funeral Home in Belvidere, Ill. Burial was in Vahlha Gardens of Memory. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois Inc.

Arthur Hargis

ARTHUR HARGIS died Monday, Dec. 29, 1997.

Funeral services were Jan. 3, at Kurtis Affton Chapel. Interment was private. Memorials can be made to the National Kidney Foundation.

Oliver Hollo

OLIVER HOLLO, 70, of Litchfield died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, in St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 14, at Plummer Funeral Home in Litchfield. Burial was at Elm Lawn Cemetery in Litchfield.

Services were held in Tabbs, Utah on Dec. 26, 1997.

William Hyden

WILLIAM J. HYDEN, 81, of Granite City died at 7:55 a.m. Feb. 14, 1998, in Granite City.

Services were Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with Rev. James Hooker officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association or American Heart Association.

George Mathis II

GEORGE P. "BUD" MATHIS II, 36, of Stover, Mo. died Sunday, Feb. 15, 1998, at home.

Visitation will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19, at Thomas Chapel, with Rev. James Hooker officiating. Memorials may be made to the Jewish Hospital Spinal Cord Injury or Alcoholics Anonymous.

William Morton

WILLIAM R. "BILL" MORTON, 85, of Collinsville died Sunday, Feb. 15, 1998, at the Madison County Nursing Home. He was born Jan. 12, 1913, in Edwardsville.

Services were Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Herbert Kassy Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael Wathen officiating. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery in Collinsville. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

Patricia Moreland

PATRICIA D. (GERLACH) MORELAND, 41, of Mitchell died Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

There will be no services; her body was to be donated to the family. Memorials can be made to the family. Werner Chapel handled the arrangements.

Raymond Niesporek

RAYMOND NIESPOREK, 71, of Tooele, Utah died in his home after a short battle with cancer.

Services were held in Tabbs, Utah on Dec. 26, 1997.

Michael Orescovich

MICHAEL J. ORESCOVICH, 88, of Granite City died at 1:02 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1998, at his residence.

Services were Friday, Feb. 6, at Holy Family Cemetery in Granite City, with Rev. Tom Wise officiating. Burial was at the Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon. Memorials can be made to the Eye Institute.

Anno Ortiz

ANNA ORTIZ, 55, of Granite City died at 10:38 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 1998, at SEMC in Granite City.

Services were Feb. 17, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City, with Rev. Bill Fishelker officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Irwin Chapel handled the arrangements.

James Singleton

JAMES E. SINGLETON, 80, of Granite City died at 1:02 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Services were Monday, Feb. 16, at St. John United Church of Christ, with Rev. J. R. Butler officiating. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery in Granite City. Memorials can be made to St. John United Church of Christ. Davis Funeral Home in Granite City handled the arrangements.

Delores Strathern

DELORES M. (DELL) STRATHERN, of Paris, Texas died at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1998, at Joseph's Hospital and Health Center.

Mass of Christian Burial was Monday, Feb. 16, at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, with Rev. Raymond Aphonso officiating. Burial was at Evergreen Cemetery. Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

HONORS

The following students at Metro East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville earned academic honors during the second quarter of the 1997-98 school year.

WITH DISTINCTION

Seniors: CASSEVILLE — Sherill Small, COLLINSVILLE — Megan Cook, Melissa Iehl, David Kobler, EDWARDSVILLE — David Gusewelle, Kathryn Rathert, Janell Schoenleber, Patrick Thirion, Juniors: EDWARDSVILLE — Rachael Sprengel, Lynn Stahthut, Alison Weisse, GLEN CARBON — Angela Knebel, TROY — Kelly Traw.

COLLINSVILLE — Andrew Lauber, Rachel Wren, Erin Zukosky, EDWARDSVILLE — Emille Groth, James Starrett, WORDEN — Tara Knackstedt, Freshmen: COLLINSVILLE — Andy Gimbel, Jason Murphy, DORSEY — Christopher Schelp, EDWARDSVILLE — Jordan Dollar, Daniel Erb, Katrina Kottwitz, Allison Redden, MARYVILLE — Megan Boeger, Aaron Gingrich, MOUNT OLIVE — Dana Kernich, TROY — Matthew Galen.

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THE LAW AND YOU

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center. The YMCA moved to dismiss the part of the complaint directed at it, contending that the offensive acts were not done within the scope of the aid's employment. The Circuit Court dismissed the counts of the complaint directed at the YMCA, and the plaintiff appealed this decision.

Should the YMCA be responsible for the intentional acts of its employee in this case? The Appellate Court ruled that the teacher's acts were not within the scope of her employment when she committed these acts but rather was acting solely for her own benefit when she sexually molested and sexually abused the young girl. Therefore, the principal of respondent superior was found not to be liable in this case, and the YMCA was properly dismissed from the suit.

In a similar case decided in 1985, a security guard stopped a young girl after she made purchase and led her to an enclosed office for the purpose of searching her. There he sexually molested her. The Court here also ruled that the employee's actions were a deviation from the scope of his employment, and that the grocery store was not liable to the injured girl.

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SIU projects in budget

By Linda N. Weller
Telegraph staff writer

Southern Illinois University has a chance to score state funding this year for three out of five capital projects under Gov. Jim Edgar's proposed budget for higher education.

The projects include \$6 million to equip the Engineering Building under construction on the Edwardsville campus; \$1.18 million to plan the renovation or replacement of the East St. Louis Center; and \$3.13 million for new piping in Anthony Hall at Carbondale.

The projects are among 34 proposed capital improvements totaling \$209.446 million that the Illinois Board of Higher

Education recommended last month in Chicago for fiscal year 1999, which begins July 1. Edgar's recommended Wednesday in the Capitol that legislators approve funding the state board's top 24 priority projects.

The price tag on those projects is \$159.2 million. Last year, Edgar's capital recommendations were about \$145 million.

SIU President Ted Sanders said he is happy SIU fared so well in his recommendations.

"This is slightly more ambitious than we had anticipated," Sanders said.

"Now, for the fifth year running, the governor has embraced the ISBE recom-

mendations to the penny. This is nothing short of remarkable."

Sanders and other state university officials met with Edgar Tuesday in Springfield for a briefing on his upcoming budget recommendations.

He said Edgar has been supportive of higher education needs because the institutions have cut unnecessary expenses and programs under the state board's priorities, quality and productivity initiative.

"Their demands in this area do not always play well on our campuses and on other campuses," Sanders said.

"The state universities would not have gotten the governor's support if we had not looked at our (educational) quality and removed programs that were weak."

Proposed projects at SIU that Sanders said will not be in Edgar's budget recommendations are \$2.47 million to replace four new chillers and other improvements to the central cooling system at Edwardsville and \$1.55 million to finish the Communications Building at Carbondale.

Salvi's visit to Alton square sparks memories of Lincoln

By Sanford J. Schmidt
Telegraph staff writer

It wasn't exactly a pilgrimage, but a man of Abraham Lincoln's party spoke Thursday at Lincoln-Douglas Square in an effort to get his name known downtown.

Al Salvi, a conservative Republican from Chicago running for secretary of state, came to Alton to tell people government can support programs such as education with out overtaxing citizens.

Before the rally, Salvi visited *The Telegraph* for an interview to push his "License Plates for Education" program. He said the program is a way of helping statewide education without tapping the taxpayer for the bill. He proposes a plan whereby people can buy a special license plate with proceeds going to help education. Similar programs are in place to benefit the environment and veterans.

"This is a way of bringing my conservative values to bear on the Secretary of State's Office," Salvi said.

Salvi is running for the Republican nomination for secretary of state in the March 17 primary against Bob Churchill of Lake County. The winner will face the winner of the Democratic race between Tim McCarthy, Orland Park police chief; and Jesse White, Cook County recorder of deeds.

Salvi said in the interview Thursday he

avored a plan to reform the Chicago public schools, which tightens standards for students and teachers while offering more money.

He said he favors an approach to education in which the government refrains from throwing money at every problem.

He also advocates a volunteer program in which state-supported libraries can serve as places where children can go for after-school tutoring. The secretary of state also holds the job of state librarian whose office funnels support to libraries statewide.

"Many of our libraries, especially the ones in small towns and rural areas, are under-utilized," he said.

By encouraging volunteers to take part in the tutoring program, students can get help and the school districts can improve their graduation rates, he said.

Salvi said a similar program in Chicago helped improve the graduation rate there to 90 percent from 50 percent.

"We can do a lot of things for our schools other than give them more money," Salvi said.

He pointed out that moderate voters often favor conservatives like himself to manage executive offices like secretary of state because of their attention to the issue of cost efficiency.

A recent poll by the *Chicago Tribune* has him ahead by a 3-1 margin, he pointed out.



Award of merit —On Jan. 17, the Cahokia Mounds District Recognition Dinner for Scouting was held at the Granite City Knights of Columbus Hall. Flo Stokes, pictured above with her husband, Chuck, received the District Award of Merit. She began her career in Scouting over a decade ago as a den leader in Cub Scout Pack 15; and has served as den leader coach, Cubmaster, unit committee chairperson, pack committee chairperson and unit commissioner. While holding these positions, she earned the Den Leader's Training Award, Cubmaster Training Award, District Spark Plug Award and District A-Corn Award.

Fishing club accentuates positives

By Mark Haddapp
Staff writer

A new club is organizing in Belleville with one hook.

Scott Lehr is seeking fishermen who are at least 21 years of age and interested in fishing for a good cause.

Lehr is president of Angler for Kids. This club wants to give children an opportunity to learn about fishing.

"This is a good way to reach children and do something positive," he said.

For the past two years, Zebco and other various manufacturers have supported Lehr's effort by providing fishing equipment and seminars to St. Joseph's Home for Boys in St. Louis and Call For Help Youth Center in Belleville.

"The response from both agencies was fantastic," Lehr said.

This year, Lehr wants to reach even more children by

holding seven fishing tournaments.

As Lehr sees it, even if you don't catch a fish, you can still be a winner.

"The tools and knowledge we give these kids will last a lifetime," he said.

Lehr, as of Monday, has had 10 people interested in joining the club. People interested in

joining can call Lehr 288-3716 or 233-4603; or write Lehr, at 7065 West A, Belleville.

A Belleville East High School graduate, Lehr is a regular contributor to local charities.

Two years ago, his fiancée asked if he'd be interested in donating to the St. Joseph's Home for Boys.

The next morning, while writing the check, he thought he could do more than sending money.

He ended up combining his love of fishing and children to offer a seminar on fishing. Now he's hooked on the idea.

"It's so personally fulfilling," he said.

Police say juvenile crime has slowed down here

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

While the nationwide trend points toward rising juvenile crime, local police departments say crime levels have either stabilized or lowered.

For the past five years, juvenile crime statistics have been on the rise nationally. However, local departments say through community policing and involvements with the schools, things are gradually changing.

"The problems that you have with youth are not any different than in any other segment of society. If we spend more time trying to reach our youth before they head down the wrong path, that's the only way we're going to stop juvenile crime," O'Fallon Police Lt. Jim Stover said.

Swansea Police Chief Dennis Fritz said his department has not seen a real surge in juvenile crime.

"In Swansea, it's still kind of sporadic. We have the shoplifting and the property crimes," Fritz said. "I can't remember the last time we had a violent juvenile crime."

In part, the rising statistics can be attributed to changes in juvenile laws. Fairview Heights Police Chief Roger Richards said.

"Some of the kids are committing crimes at younger ages and they're extremely street smart," Richards said. "We're seeing juveniles being arrested for more serious crimes. Some are now the aggressors in sexual crimes when, before, that was unheard of."

Lt. David Nester of the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department said the juvenile cases the department handles have been fairly steady.

"(The crimes) run the whole gamut but they're predominantly criminal damage," Nester said.

O'Fallon Police Chief Don Slazink said he sees two major contributors to juvenile crime — poor parenting and the mobility of today's youth. In his 24 years in law enforcement, Slazink said he has seen the transition made in parenting.

"Instead of parents controlling their kids, they're being controlled by their kids," he said.

Richards said his officers have noticed the increasing lack of respect for authority among juveniles in the past few years.

"Many of the kids seem to have a lack of respect. But there are still many, many good kids in the school system," he said.

"There are a bunch of good kids and a few bad ones. I don't think peer pressure and drugs are any worse than they were 10 years ago," Slazink said. "We're a society of excuses — we can excuse any thing. We've become a society that allows almost anything to occur."

Ron Schaefer, director of Twentieth Judicial Circuit Court Services and Probation Department, said he began denying outer-county admissions to the detention center in 1996 because of overcrowding.

In 1996, total admissions were 1,533 — a drop from 1,801 admissions in 1995 — because of the limitations set forth.

In 1996, burglary was the No. 1 charge facing juveniles at

the detention center.

Schaefer said the increasing use of illicit drugs can be attributed to the rising crime rate. Recently, he said eight of 18 juveniles tested positive for drugs in a one-week period.

Fritz said he believes that programs like DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) do help the younger children.

"Maybe it doesn't help the one that is going to do it anyway, but it might help the kid who is on the border," he said.

According to "Fight Crime: Invest in Kids," a national anti-crime organization led by police, prosecutors, and crime survivors, the peak hours for juvenile crime are 3-8 p.m., when many parents are still at work. Juvenile crime triples and nearly half of all juvenile crime occurs between 2-8 p.m.

Richards said schools, churches, and police departments need to begin more programs for juveniles.

According to a 1996 Northeastern University poll, 92 percent of police chiefs nationwide agreed that America could sharply reduce crime if government invested more in programs to help youth.

Navy man thrilled with job

Just drawing a paycheck wasn't enough for Gary Guillory. He wanted more out of his career — adventure, travel and opportunity. So he joined the Navy.

Guillory, son-in-law of Jim Harsh of Granite City, is stationed with Naval Atlantic Meteorology and Oceanography Command in Norfolk, Va.

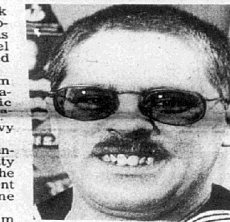
Guillory, 31, joined the Navy in 1992.

"I wanted to serve my country," said the third class petty officer. "I wanted to see the world, do something different and have a job with some security."

Guillory graduated from Edwardsville High School in 1985, and today he's an aerographer's mate with the Meteorology and Oceanography Command.

The Naval Atlantic Meteorology and Oceanography Center serves as a facility for the distribution of Atlantic Fleet. They ensure fleet elements are never caught by surprise weather or ocean conditions.

As an aerographer's mate, Guillory is one of the people tracking those conditions and providing the reports to the fleet.



PAUL THOMAS/U.S. Navy
Gary Guillory

"I collect weather data from around the world for our forecasters," he said. "I also keep our Internet homepage (<http://www.nmcc.navy.mil>) updated with all the current weather."

Guillory said his time in the Navy has offered him many unique experiences.

"I've enjoyed all my port visitors, and all the friends I've met overseas," he said.

Guillory said his service in

the Navy has taught him a lot he couldn't learn anywhere else.

"I've learned to look at all sides and make decisions based on all points of view rather than just my own. It's teamwork that will get things done, and get us what we want."

That is perhaps why Guillory, who has been married to the former Jamie Harsh for five years and has one daughter, Vivian, 3, says he intends to remain on active duty until he's eligible to retire.

"I hope to one day be promoted to chief petty officer," he said. "After the Navy, I'd like to return to working on the river. Working with tow boats is part of the reason I joined the Navy over the other services. I love boats."

Regardless of his future, Guillory will always be able to look back on his time in the Navy with fond memories and the knowledge his service was valuable and appreciated.

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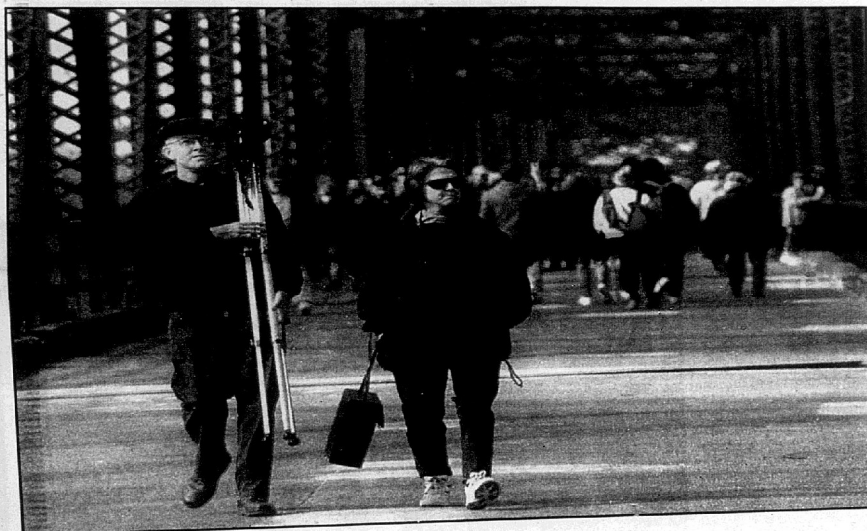
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Left, a lone bald eagle sits in a tree between the old and new Chain of Rocks bridges on Chouteau Island. Above, Daphne and Dan Bradley of St. Louis search the trees along the Missouri shore of the Mississippi for eagles as Kelly Stokes of Belleville, right, points one out.



Above, Keith and Jane Gabriels of O'Fallon stroll toward the Illinois side of the bridge with their bird-watching equipment. Below, a crowd gathers around the spotting scopes set up by Gateway Trailnet director of development Claudia Spener to give visitors a closer look at an eagle perched on Chouteau Island. Right, visitors gathered on the deck of the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge are dwarfed by the pier at the turn in the bridge and the old pump house from the City of St. Louis water department.



Story and photos by John Frese

Memories, birds keep bridge pedestrians busy

For almost 30 years, the bridge by which John Steinbeck's Great Mother Road crossed the Mississippi on its way from Chicago to Los Angeles sat vacant, a lonely reminder to a bygone day when travel moved at a slower pace.

However, on Feb. 8 the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge was anything but lonely. Crowds of bird watchers, bicyclists and Sunday strollers took to the bridge's deck for the second annual eagle-viewing open house.

The drive west on Route 66 once allowed time to see the sights along the way, one of those being the span, with its stately steel superstructure latticework and bend in the middle. But the bridge sat rusting next to its four-lane, high-speed replacement until the summer of 1968, when Gateway Trailnet took on the mission of reopening it.

No longer suitable for automobile traffic, the bustle of motorists will be replaced by hikers and bicyclists. The bridge has garnered increasing attention due to its history, and also because it provides a spectacular view of the Mississippi River. The city's skyline, distinguished by the Arch, can be seen to the south over the wide river.

More than 4,500 people made the walk from the Missouri side over to Illinois.

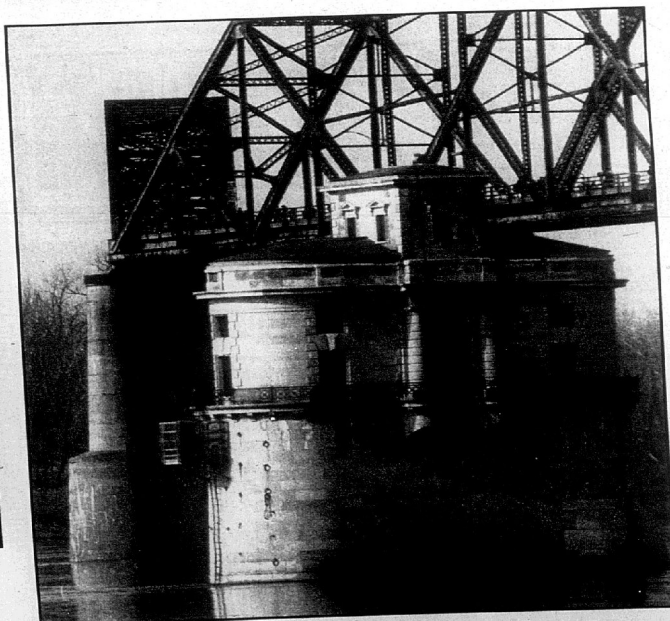
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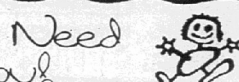
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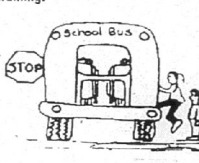


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